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SOVIET MINELAYERS IN SINGAPORE

Tokyo, To-day.

The "Asahi Shimbun" says that the four small Soviet minelayers which left their Black Sea base early in April, are en route to Vladivostok and are now nearing Singapore, where they are expected to arrive around tomorrow.

The warships are said to have passed through the Suez Canal on April 11. — Reuter.

There is no information concerning any intended visit to Hong Kong.

Landon Supports Roosevelt

Kansas City, To-day.

GOVERNOR Alfred Landon, Republican candidate defeated by President Roosevelt in the 1936 Presidential election contest, declared yesterday his support of President Roosevelt's peace conference appeal to the Dictators.

Stating that he was "crossing party lines" to take sides with President Roosevelt in this matter, Governor Landon said:

"The United States is the one great Power which has a chance to offer something other than mere 'choosing up' of sides before going into battle."

He also expressed "fear for America's ability to stay out of a prolonged general war on account of emotional, economic and other pulls which are already making themselves felt."

Governor Landon was addressing the Methodist Conference. — Reuter.

LITVINOFF RESIGNATION SURPRISE

NOT CONNECTED WITH BRITAIN'S NEGOTIATIONS?

London, To-day.

News of the retirement as Foreign Commissar of the Soviet Union of M. Litvinov, had a bombshell effect. The British Foreign Office was taken completely by surprise.

Well-informed circles state that M. Litvinov's resignation has no connection with the British answer to the Soviet proposals, because, although the answer was drafted and agreed at Wednesday's Cabinet session, it has not yet been submitted to Moscow.

That the decision to let M. Litvinov resign was taken on a sudden impulse in Moscow is evidenced by the fact that even the Soviet Embassy in London was greatly surprised.

In fact, when the First Secretary of the Soviet Embassy was asked to confirm the news, he denied the report.

Later, he said that should it be true, M. Potemkin would be M. Litvinov's successor.

Only after considerable time was the Soviet Embassy able to confirm M. Litvinov's resignation and M. Molotoff's appointment.

Political and diplomatic circles are not yet able to form an opinion as to what the change means.

FRENCH CONJECTURE

Paris, To-day.

Political circles are of opinion that there are two possible reasons for the resignation. Either the Soviet Government disapproves of the policy of M. Litvinoff or else believes that the negotiations with the Western Powers have proceeded too slowly. — Trans-Ocean.

Swatow Heavily Bombed

Swatow, To-day.

EIGHT Japanese seaplanes bombed Swatow this morning in the vicinity of Black Bridge, where many were killed and wounded.

Objective is believed to have been the rice godowns.

Kityang and Chaochowfu were also visited by the raiders.

The British Commander-in-Chief, Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Noble, was a spectator of the raid, having arrived this morning from Hong Kong in H.M.S. Falmouth. — Reuter.

Important Geneva Talks

London, To-day.

Lord Halifax intends travelling to Geneva to take part in the League Council meeting on May 15, according to the "Evening Standard," which adds that the Foreign Ministers of France, the Soviet, Poland and Yugo-Slavia are among those also expected to attend.

The paper states that the only subject on the agenda is the Sino-Japanese war and it conculdes from this that the statesmen assembled at Geneva will have ample leisure for examining the European situation. — Trans-Ocean.

Ministry Of Munitions For France?

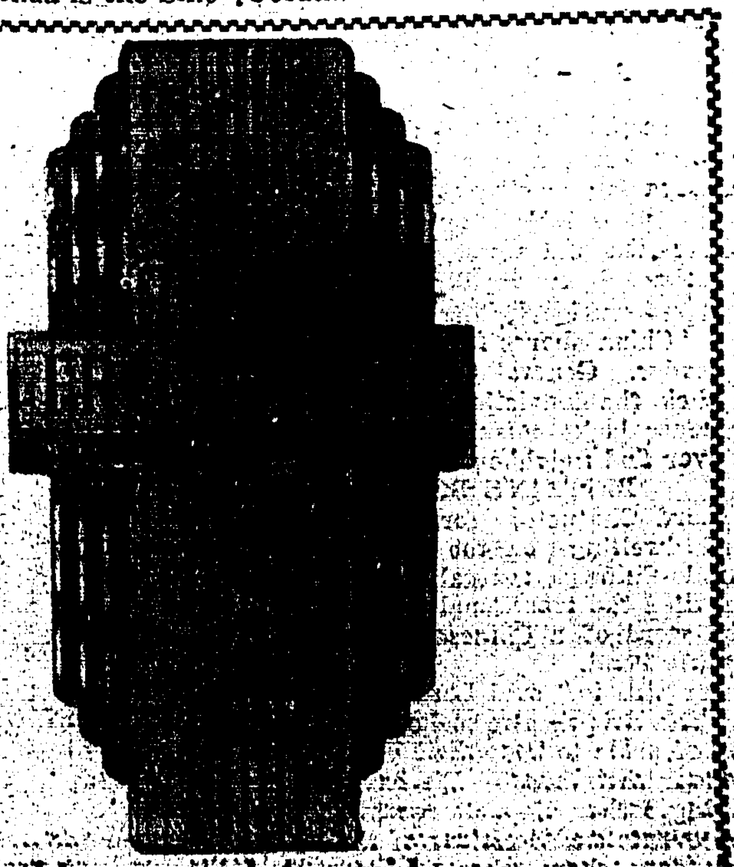
Paris, To-day.

Rumours that M. Daladier is about to set up a Ministry of Munitions for accelerating the production of armaments and for co-ordinating the requirements of the Services, are finding credence in political circles.

A few weeks ago, when it appeared that M. Guy la Chambre might resign, M. Dautrey was mentioned as his successor at the Air Ministry.

It has also been decided to intensify French propaganda.

It is still uncertain, however, whether a special Propaganda Ministry will be created. It is generally presumed that this new service will be conducted under the direct supervision of the Premier.—



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China's Roots Deep In The Centuries

London, To-day.

Over 200 guests attended the annual banquet of the China Society at Claridge's last night.

The Chinese Ambassador, Mr. Quo Tai-chi, presided and toasted the guests.

He said: "This Spring we surely have the right to lift up our hearts in celebration with China of the encouraging progress in the field and behind the front.

"The people are firmly united, and the existing cordial Anglo-Chinese relations have been further strengthened by acts of co-operation helpful to both countries.

Mr. Quo Tai-chi said he was sure that all present would wish to welcome M. Ivan Maisky (the Soviet Ambassador) representing a country which had not only shown China great neighbourliness during the present grave events but was the arch uniting Europe and Asia and must more and more make Asia Europe-minded and Europe Asia-minded.

PRACTICAL SYMPATHY

Mr. Quo paid a glowing tribute to British manifestations of practical sympathy to China—the British Note of January 14 defining the British stand on the Nine-Power Treaty constituting an important step in rebuilding international political morality, the China currency stabilisation fund, assistance by export credits, the British Fund for relief of Chinese distress, assistance in books and apparatus by British universities in building up new universities in Western China, and many other agencies working for help of China.

"I have been amazed and touched to the quick by the depth of sympathy and generosity throughout the length and breadth of this whole island."

DEFENCE CO-ORDINATION

Welcoming Lord Chatfield, Defence Co-ordination Minister, Mr. Quo said: "Even as Lord Chatfield is at work co-ordinating Great Britain's national defence in all branches, so China is at work providing a positive focus for co-ordinating all elements in general international defence.

"China's dual programme of national reconstruction and resistance to aggression is already producing encouraging results, and her contribution as a deterrent to wider aggression and worse world deterioration is now rapidly growing to full recognition by the West.

"China shares fully with her leader, General Chiang Kai-shek, the conviction that virtue never lacks company and will ever find neighbourly support."

BRITAIN'S BOND

Lord Chatfield, for the guests, and dwelling on the reasons for Anglo-Chinese mutual attraction, recalled the traditional saying that the word of a Chinese is as good as his bond.

"It still is," said Lord Chatfield.

"The British also make it a matter of pride to keep their word and honour their bonds. We have been giving rather big ones recently but the events and decisions of the last few days show that they can be taken at their face value.

"While we will never forget our [illegible]

WISDOM OF EXPERIENCE

"Perhaps the quality we admire most and should do well to profit by is the Chinese respect for the old and wise — things gained by experience and living rather than spectacular things so easily come by and so ephemeral.

"I could have wished to-night that I could think only of the peaceful country scenes depicted in your art, rather than the horror of war and the useless and irreperable destruction going on in your country.

BRINK OF ABYSS

"So we, standing on the brink of a similar abyss, and knowing like you the madness of war and yet believing, like you, that we must be prepared to die when our individuality and ideals are threatened, feel, as you must indeed know, the deepest sympathy for you in this time of trial.

"We have the greatest admiration for the way you have reluctantly laid aside the pen and girt on the sword.

"But we believe that just as a man who has wrestled with trials will be stronger for having overcome them, so China has come through the struggle with a new experience and new courage."

TRIBUTE TO GENERALISSIMO

Lord Chatfield hoped the time was not too distant when the fratricidal strife between the nations of East Asia would cease, and China in the full exercise of her national sovereignty would be able to resume normal friendly relations with her island neighbours on a basis of equality.

"Finally, I must refer to the fact that China the unwarlike has thrown up in her hour of need a great leader of first-rate military ability, who combines the finest qualities of his countrymen, commands the respect of the world and who possesses moreover the qualities which will enable him to command the love of his whole people when the hour of post-war reconstruction comes.

"The qualities of selflessness and clemency, as shown after the mutiny at Sianfu, and the understanding that the future greatness of his country must rise from the traditions of the past from the very soil of China.

DEEP IN CENTURIES

"We can see China like a great oak tree with its roots deep in the centuries.

"A cruel winter may wither the leaves and storms bend the branches but new life will ever rise from those ancient roots, new boughs break and flowers, perhaps [illegible]

Roy and Peter Green, aged 11 and 13, of Gunthorpe, Nottingham, are rehearsing a sensational riding display for horse shows and gymkhanas. Only eleven years old, Master Roy Green on "Silver" his 9 year old pony, is seen here jumping through an arch of fire—part of the sensational act.

SEVEN JAPANESE PLANES SHOT DOWN IN RAID OVER CHUNGKING

Chungking, To-day.

Seven Japanese planes are reported to have been shot down by Chinese pursuit planes in the air battle over and near Chungking yesterday afternoon.

Three of the machines burst into flames and crashed in a vale at Kwangchangpa on the outskirts of Chungking, while the other four were seen nose-diving to the ground trailing smoke immediately east of Chungking.

Whereas 45 Japanese machines were reported by the Chinese air scouts to be heading for Chungking for the raid, only 38 were later seen returning from the attack.

The Chinese Air Force lost two planes, one of which was forced down in the vicinity of the Police Academy.

The raiders focussed their attack on the crowded sections of the city, showering demolition and incendiary bombs. Rows of shops and civilian houses were consumed by fire.

CIGARETTES DROPPED

Hundreds of packages of cigarettes were also dropped by the Japanese planes. Some of these have been collected by the Chinese authorities and are being subjected to chemical analysis.

Chinese first aid parties and air raid prevention corps showed remarkable courage and fine morale. They worked while the raid was still going on.

The Air Defence Headquarters and the Air Raid Emergency Relief Federation are now collaborating in rehabilitation measures in [illegible]

NO DECISION ON SCRAPPING BATTLESHIPS

London, To-day.

Colonel Llewellyn, Civil Lord of the Admiralty, said in the Commons that the implications of the denunciation of the Anglo-German Naval Treaty were being carefully considered but that no decision had yet been taken whether or not to scrap two battleships of the Royal Sovereign class in 1942.—British Wireless.

THE GUESTS

The guests included Lord and Lady Chatfield; Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Morrison; Lord Gort; Lord Cecil; Lord Davies; Lord Snell; Lord Strabolgi; M. and Mme. Ivan Maisky; Sir John Wardlaw-Milne; Sir Hugo Cunliffe-Owen; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Street; Professor and Mrs. H. A. L. Fisher; Mr. W. G. S. Adams; Major-General Telfer-Smollett, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Howe; Mr. Laurence Binyon; Mr. Adrian Moreing M.P., and Major W. W. Astor M.P.

The 50 Chinese guests included Mr. Cheng Fai-ting, of the permanent Court at The Hague, who is now in London participating in the anniversary celebrations of London

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SWATOW PREPARED FOR THE WORST

BUT TRADE STILL GOES ON

(Special To "China Mail")

Swatow is now only a shadow of its former self, a staff member of the "China Mail" discovered in a visit to the port a day or two ago.

At least 40 per cent of the shops are closed and barred, their owners being for the most part among the 35 per cent. of the town's former population which was forced to evacuate a week ago under the instructions of the military authorities.

At the moment, Swatow is not threatened, although a small Japanese destroyer is anchored at the mouth of the estuary and an officer and armed escort visit all ships and inspect their papers before permitting them to continue in to Swatow. Vessels leaving Swatow are not molested.

All channels leading into the harbour have been thoroughly mined, and the Chinese military authorities have announced their intention to resist any attempt on the part of the Japanese to take the town.

MACHINE-GUN NESTS

With this in view, machine-gun nests have been set up at practically every cross-road and street-corner. Most of these are simple affairs made chiefly with sandbags, but at several strategic points elaborate concrete pill-boxes with a 350-degree field of fire have been built. A large number of air-raid shelters could also be used in an emergency.

In the opinion of the Swatow authorities, an attack on that port can be expected in the near future. The city has no anti-aircaft protection beyond that afford by machine-guns and, indeed, as far as could be determined, the troops defending the city — provincial troops and peace preservation corps men—are armed only with rifles, hand-grenades and machine-guns. They have no artillery with which to oppose the attack of Japanese warships.

BOMBING DAMAGE

Frequent flights have been made over the city by Japanese aircraft and, as already reported in the "China Mail," heavy damage was inflicted on various government and military buildings during the course of a recent air-raid. Thanks to the absence of any real anti-aircraft fire, the Japanese bombers were able to fly low and take careful aim. Most of the buildings were partially demolished and unfit for further use.

Although the city itself is now only a shade of its former self, Swatow is a very busy port. A number of British and other merchant marine vessels enter and leave daily, discharging heavy cargoes which include wheat and other grain, and motor lorries. The water-front is a hive of activity.

Lying at anchor in the roadstead at the moment is H. M. S. Thracian, sloop, and the U. S. S. Edsal, destroyer.

ADMIRAL VISITING PORT

Admiral Sir Percy Noble, the Commander-in-Chief, has arrived in Swatow in H.M.S. Falmouth, it was learned this morning. He is merely paying a visit to the port and will remain there until Monday, when he sails in the Falmouth; his port of call after leaving Swatow is not yet determined.

25 KILLED IN MACAO HOUSE COLLAPSE

MACAO, TO-DAY.

TWENTY-FIVE MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN WERE KILLED EARLY YESTERDAY MORNING WHEN THREE HOUSES COLLAPSED BURYING SOME 50 OCCUPANTS.

The incident occurred shortly after 4 a.m. when the Indian constable on duty in the neighbourhood was attracted by a crashing, rumbling noise.

He found that a house had caved in and that the walls had collapsed.

The Fire Brigade, ambulances and police were summoned and began digging for the victims.

Twelve were detained in hospital.—Our Own Correspondent.

Reuter adds that altogether three houses collapsed, killing 27 and injuring 30. The recent heavy rains were probably a contributary factory.

GERMAN WARSHIPS PASS GIBRALTAR

Paris, To-day.

News from Gibraltar states that all German warships which last week visited Spanish and North-African ports in the Mediterranean, have passed Gibraltar on the way to the open Atlantic.—Trans-Ocean.

Hoax Or Test-Kite?

Berlin, To-day.

A SHORT-LIVED hoax was perpetrated yesterday in Germany by a secret wireless station.

During a pause in the ordinary Berlin programme, a voice came through announcing, in German, that at 10.35 a.m. German troops had occupied Danzig.

"Further details," the voice laconically added, "will follow."

What actually happened was that thousands of people telephoned endeavouring to secure confirmation.

Origin of the transmission has not been ascertained. — Trans-Ocean.

800 CASUALTIES IN RAID ON CHUNGKING

Chungking, To-day.

Rescue parties and red-cross workers have been digging among the debris all night and are still searching for victims of the disasterous air-raid carried out yesterday afternoon.

Wounded are pouring into the hospitals and emergency first-aid stations, and it is now estimated that some 800 people have been killed and injured.—Our Own Correspondent.

GENERAL BALBO VISITING CAIRO

Cairo, To-day.

General Balbo, Governor of Libya, is arriving in Cairo on May 8.

The Italian Minister in Cairo has invited the British Ambassador, Sir Miles Lampson, the Commander-in-Chief of British forces in Egypt and Air Marshal Sir William Mitchell to dinner to meet General Balbo. — Reuter.

ATTACKED WOMAN WON'T TALK

A Chinese woman was badly injured by a male-companion last night in Caroline Hill Road.

It is alleged that while walking near the South China Athletic Association ground, the man picked up a stone and struck her. He then ran away.

The woman was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital but declined to disclose the reason for the attack.

Ningpo, To-day.

A foreign vessel, flying an American flag, was stopped by a Japanese warship on its way from Tinghai to Ningpo on Sunday and forced to sail to Hsiangshan harbour. Fifty passengers aboard are detained. — Central News.

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Home-Grown Food Supplies During War: Govt. Plans

London, To-day.

Plans for the expansion of home production of food in wartime were discussed by the Agriculture Minister, Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, in the House of Commons yesterday.

He said: "Under the Government general plans for insuring food supplies in time of war, the function allotted to the Agricultural Department is that of making arrangements that would be required in event of an outbreak of war to bring about expansion of food production in the United Kingdom.

"Plans have accordingly been prepared for central and local organisations which would be responsible for central direction, and executive committees would be set up in each county to whom important functions would be relegated.

"Expansion of home food production would necessarily involve an increase in arable area obtained by means of a ploughing up campaign.

GUIDING FACTORS

"Particular crops production of which we should have to expand would depend on the number of circumstances, including the season of the year when the outbreak of war occurred, and the situation in regard to food reserves in this country and overseas supplies, and the suitablility of newly ploughed land for particular crops whether for human consumption or for feeding stuffs for our livestock which provide vital supplies of milk and meat.

"A great deal of information has been collected by the Agricultural Department and prepared in a form in which it would be immediately available for the proposed executive committees.

FERTILISER RESERVES

Reserves of fertilizers have been secured and plans have been made to organise and control the supply and distribution of fertilizers, feedingstuffs, tractors and other machinery, fuel implements, seeds and other farm requisites for industry's wartime requirements.

"The problem of labour has been carefully considered with the other departments concerned.

"In addition to safeguards provided under the scheme of reserved occupations, steps are being taken to enrol persons willing to undertake work on the land in wartime, and plans are being made for training by intensive courses in the event of war those who have little or no previous agricultural experience.

"This matter is now receiving further consideration in the light of recent Government decisions in regard to the Territorial Army and compulsory military service.

TO WAIT ON EVENTS

"The Government do not consider it necessary or desirable that a plan for production on the scale or of the character that would be required in time of war should be put into operation in advance of an outbreak of war. They consider that the best preparation for an emergency is to bring land into a state of greater fertility which would enable it to respond more fully to the increased demands which would be made upon it in the event of an outbreak of war.

"The Government therefore decided that the best course was to encourage farmers to make a special effort this summer to improve their poorer grassland, large areas of which could not in its present condition yield satisfactory crops.

OFFER TO FARMERS

"To assist farmers to improve the potential productivity of such land, the Government propose to ask Parliament to authorise payment of a contribution of £2 per acre in respect of permanent grass ploughed up after this announcement and before September 30 this year, and brought into a state of cleanliness and fertility by reseeding or by fallowing or by sowing to approved crop with a view to reseeding.

"The objective would be to encourage farmers to carry out work which in any case is desirable in order to convert poor and worn out grassland into more productive pasture, and would if need arises during the Autumn or Spring, enable the land to be readily used as arable land for raising such crops as might be required to supplement supplies of food or feedingstuffs.

"The Government would urge farmers, in consultation where necessary with the land-owners concerned, to make arrangements to plough up during the Summer inferior permanent grassland that would benefit by reseeding, and could if necessary be put in a condition to produce suitable crops.

NOTICE OF INTENTION

"Notice of intention to plough up must be given to the Agricultural Departments in England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland, in order that the land concerned may be inspected at the discretion of the Departments either before or after ploughing. Applicants will be required to satisfy the Departments that the land had been down to grass for not less than seven years. No payment will be made in respect of areas of less than two acres, and fractions of less than half an acre will be disregarded.

"Further details and particulars of the form in which notice of intention to plough up should be given, will be issued at an early date.

LEGISLATION PENDING

"The necessary legislation will be introduced as soon as possible, and it is contemplated that payment of Government contributions would be made in the Autumn, subject to the Departments being satisfied that the work has been duly carried out and that any necessary safeguard or conditions have been observed.

"The Government are confident they will have the fullest support and co-operation of the agricultural community in this effort to improve the productive capacity of

OBJECTION RAISED TO SINO-BURMESE RAILWAY LINK: COMMONS QUERY

London, To-day.

Sir Arnold Wilson (Conservative) asked questions in the House of Commons yesterday whether the Chinese Government were building a railway to the Sino-Burmese frontier.

Would the Under-Secretary for Burma give an assurance that no railway construction in Burma was contemplated to connect with this railway and that no such project would be entertained without the fullest previous public enquiry and the assent of the Burmese Parliament.

Lt.-Col. Muirhead, Under-Secretary for Burma, said he had seen reports that the Chinese Government had already begun preliminary work for a railway from Kunming towards the Burma frontier.

The project of a Chinese railway connecting with the Burmese railway system had been contemplated from time to time on many occasions in the last 40 years.

He assured Sir Arnold Wilson that nothing would be done in Burma without due consultation with all the interests in Burma concerned. — Reuter.

BRITISH FOOD FOR RELIEF IN MADRID

London, To-day.

Sir Maurice Peterson, British Ambassador to Spain, recently visited Bilbao to superintend the handing over of 500 tons of provisions and foodstuffs constituting a gift from the British Government to the Spanish Government.

The consignment arrived in a convoy of lorries towards the end of last month and is to be distributed to the hungry population of Madrid.

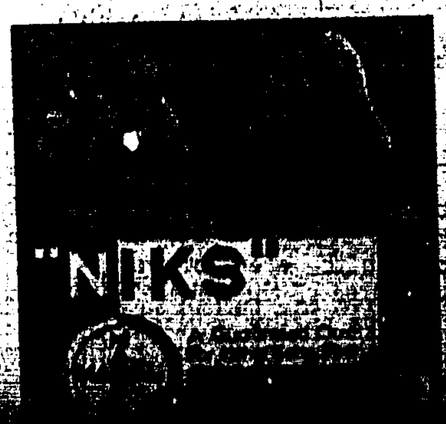
Further consignments will be sent so long as the need continues to exist.

The Spanish authorities in Bilbao have been most helpful in assisting the British convoy, which is headed by Colonel Martin, honorary attache to the British Embassy in Spain.—British Wireless.

BELGIANS EXPEL NAZI JOURNALIST

Brussels, To-day.

The Belgian Government has expelled a German Nazi journalist who was also head of various German organisations in Belgium. — Reuter.



U.S.S. ASTORIA ARRIVES IN HONG KONG

ON HER WAY BACK TO THE UNITED STATES AFTER CARRYING TO JAPAN THE ASHES OF THE LATE JAPANESE AMBASSADOR TO WASHINGTON, MR. H. SAITO, THE 10,000-TON AMERICAN CRUISER ASTORIA IS NOW IN PORT, HAVING ARRIVED EARLY THIS MORNING FROM SHANGHAI.

She will remain here until Monday. She has arrived much earlier than was originally expected, for when arrangements were first made for her to call at Shanghai and Hong Kong on her journey back to America from Japan, her schedule called for a five-day stay in Shanghai.

At the last moment, her stay in Shanghai was cut down to barely two days.

Announcement of the curtailment was made just before Herr Hitler's Reichstag speech and caused much speculation which American naval officials promptly said was unjustified.

She arrived in Shanghai on Saturday morning last, sailing again at noon on Monday for a leisurely trip down the China Coast. "Leisurely" is used advisedly, for the Astoria, whose armament includes nine 8-inch guns, can attain a maximum speed of 33 knots in an emergency.

Other American warships now in port include the Mindanao, Bulmer, Pigeon and Submarine 38.

WHAT WOULD A REMINDER SERVE?

London, To-day.

ASKED if, in view of Herr Hitler's continual complaints about the Treaty of Versailles, he would draw Herr Hitler's attention to the losses of territory suffered by Russia and Rumania by the Treaties of Brest-Litovsk and Bucharest, the Prime Minister replied that he did not think any useful purpose would be served by such action as the German Government must be well aware of the terms of those treaties. —

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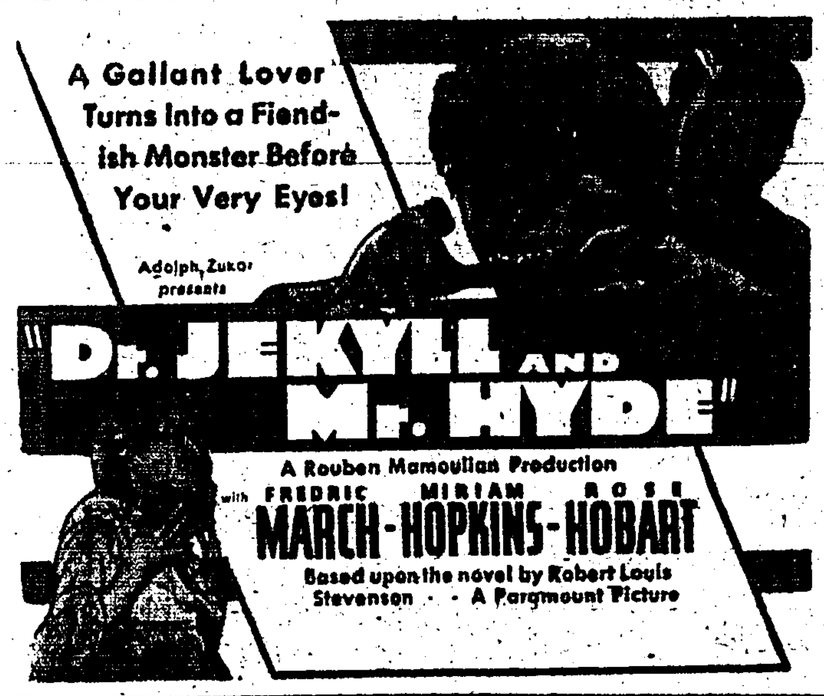

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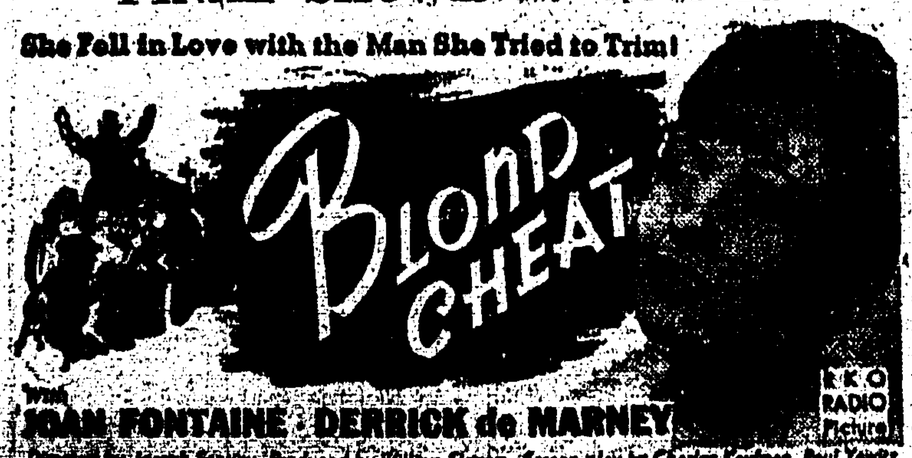

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COLLUSION SUGGESTION IN BANKRUPTCY CASE

"THE WHOLE THING REEKS OF COLLUSION," REMARKED THE CHIEF JUSTICE, SIR ATHOLL MACGREGOR IN THE BANKRUPTCY COURT THIS MORNING WHEN DISMISSING A PETITION FOR A RECEIVING ORDER AGAINST LO CHAU, TRADING AT THE WAI MAN BATTERY MANUFACTURING COMPANY, BY LEUNG KIN-HING, PETITIONING CREDITOR.

Mr. G. S. Ford appeared for the petitioning creditor. The petition, he stated, was for a receiving order against Lo Chau, debtor.

Leung Kin-shing, petitioning creditor, said that the debtor owed him $1,000 on a promissory note. Although he had pressed for payment his requests were not satisfied. Therefore, he filed the petition.

Examined by the Official Receiver he said his object in filing the petition was to get some of his money back. He hoped to get back 100 per cent. He heard the debtor had assets in a Trade Mark, but was not aware of any other assets. He had heard that the Trade Mark was valued at several thousands of dollars.

ONLY ASSET

The Official Receiver told petitioner that the debtor had revealed that his only asset was the Trade Mark and that he believed it to be worth $2,000. Debtor also revealed that at the time he borrowed the $1,000, his liabilities were $17,000.

Petitioner replied that he was not aware of the debtor's financial position then.

Petitioner agreed that debtor was formerly the sole proprietor of the Wai Man Battery Manufacturing Company, employing some 60 men, but denied that he knew of several writs, amounting to over $7,000, issued against debtor at the time the money was lent.

DEBTOR'S KNOWLEDGE

The Official Receiver asked witness whether he paid his solicitors $300 to prepare the petition, and asked how debtor got to know. Petitioner expressed surprise that debtor took interest in his affairs.

Petitioner said he took the risk of spending $300 hoping that the Trade Mark would realise several thousand dollars so that he might be paid back 100 per cent.

Official Receiver: "Does it not look as though debtor does not owe you $1,000, but is trying to get a receiving order by getting you to present the petition?"—"It does not."

The Official Receiver explained that had debtor presented the petition he would have had to undergo a public examination, under oath, and would have to produce his books, which are not available, to show that he was an honest business man.

Petitioner denied that he was presenting the petition so that debtor might avoid being examined publicly.

The Chief Justice: "Having lent debtor $1,000 on no security, why did you delay action all these months when judgment after judgment had gone against him in the Courts?"

Petitioner said he was not aware of debtor's financial difficulties until after he had been arrested and put in the Debtors' Prison.

C.T.'S COMMENT

Chief Justice: "On two of the writs execution was issued. By a judgment of this Court, an order was passed that the Trade Mark could not be attached. The debtor was, therefore, sole possessor of the Trade Mark. On March 31, his illusions were, however, shattered when I issued an injunction restraining him from dealing in the Trade Mark. Later, debtor writes you a letter on which you relied for these proceedings.

"The debtor was not in a position to file the petition as he was unable to produce his books. You, his friend of 10 years' standing, on April 6 file the petition and few days later debtor conveniently appears in your solicitor's office to be served with the petition.

"The Official Receiver suggests that there is clearly collusion."

Petitioner denied the suggestion.

The Chief Justice dismissed the petition with costs, saying: "The story told by petitioning creditor struck me as being neither essential nor fragrant. He has failed utterly to suggest anything to rid my mind of that grave suspicion—collusion. The whole

THEFT FROM POLICE STATION

Kong Pan, 27, was charged before Mr. T. J. Houston this morning, with stealing a mosquito net from Quarry Bay Police Station.

Ng Kau, 23, assistant accountant of the Wing On pawnshop, Main Street, Shaukiwan, was charged with receiving marked goods into pawn.

Inspector Russell said the net was placed in the backyard by an Indian constable on the afternoon of April 12. When he came back from duty the net had disappeared. Defendant was arrested when he tried to sell the pawn-ticket.

Ng said he did not notice that the net was Government property.

First defendant was sentenced to one month's hard labour, and second defendant was fined $100 or three months.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE DIVIDEND

We are officially informed that the Consulting Committee of The Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., will, at the forthcoming Meeting of Shareholders to be held on May 18, recommend the payment of a Final Dividend of $8.00 per share, in respect of Working Account for 1937, and the transfer of the balance of $261,762.43 to Underwriting Suspense Account; they will further recommend that an Interim Dividend of $5.00 per share be paid in respect of Working Account for 1938, and that the balance of $1,924,826.54 be carried forward.

BRITAIN ACKNOWLEDGES GERMAN NOTE

London, To-day...

British acknowledgment of the German Note terminating the Anglo-German Naval Treaty was sent to Berlin yesterday.

It is expected that the Government's observations will follow shortly. — Reuter.

AIR DEFENCE OF HAGUE

The Hague, To-day.

The municipal council decided yesterday to purchase anti-aircraft batteries for the defence of The Hague in the event of war.

In course of the debate, members of various parties severely criticised the Government for neglecting the air defence of the capital.

NAZI REPRISALS

Six Britons Ordered To Leave Germany

Further Steps By Britain Will Have Same Result

Berlin, To-day.

Six British subjects resident in Germany have received orders from the Nazi Government to leave.

The expulsions are direct reprisals for the expulsion of six Germans from Great Britain.

The British Embassy has been informed that all the expelled Britons must leave by May 24.

Those expelled are:

MR. H. C. GREENE, CHIEF CORRESPONDENT OF THE LONDON "DAILY TELEGRAPH,"

A BUSINESSMAN, AN ENGINEER, A TEACHER AND TWO DIRECTORS OF COMPANIES.

IT IS MADE CLEAR THAT FURTHER "UNJUSTIFIABLE" EXPULSIONS BY BRITAIN WOULD BE FOLLOWED BY FURTHER GERMAN REPRISALS.

Government circles told the British Embassy that the expulsion of Mr. Greene implied no imputation against his work as a correspondent, or against the policy of his newspaper, but was purely a reprisal for the expulsion of the London correspondent of the "National Zeitung." — Reuter.

What the Nazis so calmly describe as "unjustifiable" expulsion of Germans from Britain, were cases of espionage, the spreading of Nazi propaganda and intimidation of Jewish refugees in Britain.

STANDSTILL AGREENENT NEGOTIATIONS

Berlin, To-day.

Negotiations for a new standstill agreement began in Berlin yesterday, to draw up a new agreement to replace the so-called German credit agreement of 1938 which expires on May 31.

Economic circles state that German debtors are expected to make proposals to representatives of the British, American, French, Belgian, Swiss and Dutch creditors for conclusion of a new agreement.

The aggregate of credits falling within the scope of the standstill agreement is estimated at about 780 million reichsmarks, of which about 690 million Reichsmarks are still being utilised.—Trans-Ocean.

NAVAL VISIT

Mexico City, To-day.

Units of the American fleet, consisting of the cruiser "Charleston", the destroyers "Tattnall" and "Fred Talbot" will visit Vera Cruz on Monday for a week's stay.

Admiral Wilcox, in command of the squadron, will visit the capital on Tuesday, accompanied by a party of his officers. The Mexican Government is planning festivities in honour of the occasion.—Trans-Ocean.

POLISH ORDER TO ARMY OFFICERS

Warsaw, To-day.

A decree made known yesterday and coming into force immediately, prolongs the duration of service of officers who have been pensioned or retired on leave.

These officers are normally required in two successive years to serve four weeks at manoeuvres. The obligatory period has now been increased to ten weeks. This holds for officers up to 50 years of age, for staff officers up to 56 years of age and for Generals up to 62 years of age.—Trans-Ocean.

LIVE BOMB DROPPED NEAR VILLAGE

The people of Trusthorpe, a coast village near Mablethorpe, Lincs., ran out from their homes in alarm when a bomb was dropped from an R. A. F. aeroplane.

The bomb landed in a wheatfield, penetrated deeply into the soil and made a large crater when exploded.

Had it fallen only a small distance away in any direction there must have been great damage and loss of life.

DELAY IN RELEASE

The accidental dropping of a bomb outside the range area is usually due to a "hook-up." This occurs when the bomb aimer operates the release gear and the bomb does not fall immediately but becomes detached later.

Every possible precaution is taken to guard against this kind of accident, which nevertheless occasionally occurs.

As a rule the results are not serious because the practice bombs generally employed do not weight more than 20lb and are filled with nothing more harmful than a charge which emits a cloud of smoke to show where the bomb fell.

GERMAN SOUNDINGS IN BALTIC

Stockholm, To-day.

A meeting of the Foreign Ministers of Sweden, Denmark, Norway and Finland will probably take place in Stockholm on May 9.

The meeting will discuss the soundings recently made by Germany regarding non-aggression pacts.—Reuter.

DUTCH ACTION AGAINST NAT. SOCIALISTS

The Hague, To-day.

A bill for the preservation of public order was tabled by the Netherlands Government in the second Chamber yesterday and provides new penalties, not exceeding four years' imprisonment, for persons convicted of wilfully spreading false accusations against the Government or for defaming public institutions by word, writing or picture.

A penalty of imprisonment not exceeding five years will be incurred by any person found guilty of carrying on "propaganda for partial or complete subjection of the Netherlands to the domination of a foreign power."

The bills are mainly directed against the National Socialist movement led by Mussert which has violently attacked the Democratic Parliamentary regime in its press as well as in public meetings. — Trans-Ocean.

Civilian Spy Shot

Paris, April 19.

Francis Gruneberg, the first civilian spy to be executed in France since 1918, was shot on the parade ground at Nancy this morning.

He was a 26-year-old Alsatian gardener, hired by the Germans to collect information about the Maginot Line.

Although sentence of death was passed in January, under last year's law imposing the capital penalty on spies taken in peace-time, Gruneberg's execution had been delayed, and it was even suggested that he might be pardoned.

Gruneberg's fate was apparently settled by the arrival of the new international crisis, which made it appear dangerous to relax the application of the revised law at present.

"So it was as serious as that, I see," the young man muttered when his jailers woke him in his cell early this morning, for seeing the military prosecutor, his counsel and the Catholic prison chaplain, he immediately realised what their presence meant.

ALLEGED PLANS FOR ATTACK ON EGYPT

Rome, To-day.

Alarming reports of alleged Italian plans for an attack upon Egypt are nothing, says "Giornale d'Italia" but an attempt to further the policy of encirclement by getting Egypt in the net along with those European countries which have been driven to oppose the Axis powers.

These tactics, adds the Italian commentator, betray the intentions of their authors but are doomed to failure.

Nothing will come of attempts in London and Paris to sow distrust between Italy and Egypt.—Trans-Ocean.

CANE FOR A SNATCHER

While holding a child with each hand in Tai Po Road yesterday afternoon, a married woman, Chan Lin, 32, was robbed of a wrist watch by a snatcher.

Wong Kuen, 19, who was eventually caught by a passerby, was sentenced to four months' hard labour and six strokes by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen this morning.

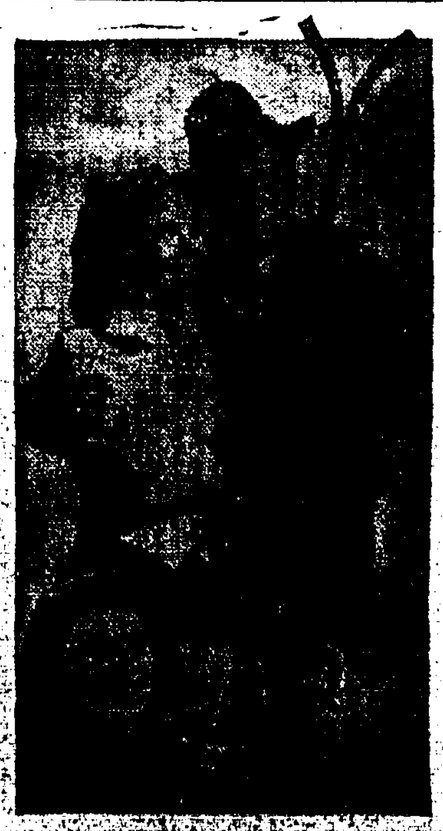
NAVAL REVIEW

Rome, To-day.

A great naval review will be held in the Gulf of Naples on May 11 for Prince Paul of Yugoslavia whose visit to Rome begins on May 9.—Trans-Ocean.

Rome, To-day.

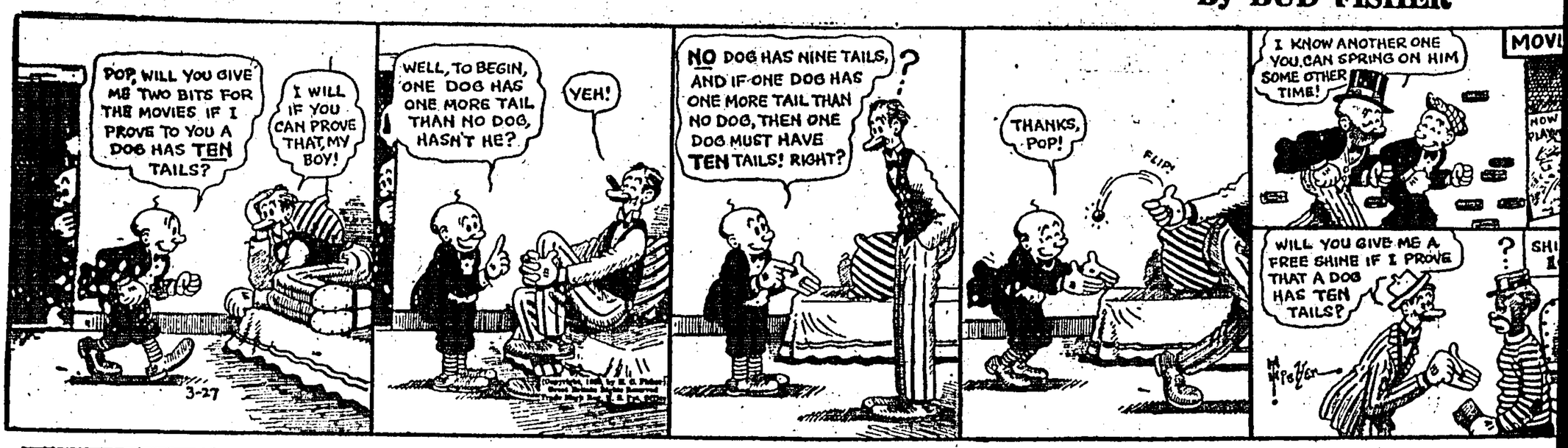
The Rumanian Finance Minister, who is also Governor of the Rumanian National Bank, will arrive in Rome in the next few days, according to press reports here.—Trans-Ocean.



Sonja Henie and Richard Greene (top), make love in "My Lucky Star," featuring (below, left to right) Joan Davis, Cesar Romero and

MUTT AND JEFF

By BUD FISHER



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THE DAILY SHORT STORY

BAD REPUTATION

By Richard Hill Wilkinson

Erla James was warned against Jack Thurber the day after she moved with her family to Little Creek.

"He's a good one to keep away from," Maxine Carson confided. "He'll ask you to go out with him, but don't do it. He's got a bad reputation."

"Why?" asked Erla.

Maxine's eyes were wide and scary and her tone was awed. "He's wild. He gets drunk sometimes and gets into fights."

Erla didn't press the subject. She was mildly curious, mildly interested. Within the next fortnight she saw Jack Thurber twice. Once at the post office, once coming out of the Cattlemen's Association building. Both times he had stared at her. Boldly. Frankly admiring. With just the hint of a smile about his lips.

She tried to convince herself that the only reason she had noticed him was because she had been warned. But he was handsome. He walked with an assurance. He had a devil-may-care manner. His eyes were clear and alert and dark.

She found out that he was twenty-six years old and that he owned his own ranch. It was generally believed that the stock on his ranch was stolen, but nobody could prove it. Twice he had fought and licked Big Jim Mason. Both times over a girl. One of those girls was named Grace Fairfax, and she and Jack Thurber had kept company for a while. Then suddenly Grace Fairfax had gone away and everyone in town knew why she had gone, though nobody dared mention it to Jack Thurber.

These things, and everything else she had been told about Jack Thurber flashed across her mind the day her horse stepped into the prairie dog hole and broke its leg. She remembered them because her rescuer that day was Jack Thurber. The memory made her a little sick with terror.

Jack Thurber swung off his black horse and came over and looked at her pinto. Then he shook his head and drew his gun and shot the pinto dead. Then he came to where she lay and knelt down and felt of her knee.

She cried out, half with pain because the knee had been twisted, and half with fear of Jack Thurber.

"Shut up!" he said, and she lay still while he examined the injured knee. Then he picked her up and started toward his black horse. "Where are you taking me?"

"To my ranch. Any objections?"

"Can't you take me home?"

"I could, but I won't. Got work to do." He stopped, holding her in his arms, looking down into her eyes. "Tell you what I will do, though. I'll leave you here if you like."

She didn't know what to say. The thought of being alone with Jack Thurber at a ranch miles from anybody was terrifying, but the thought of being left to lie out on the desert beneath the blazing sun wasn't very pleasant either. So she said nothing and Jack Thurber smiled and set her up on the back of his horse.

When they reached his ranch he called Doc Halliwell from town, and then got some cold cloths and bandaged her knee. Then he left her and she didn't see him again. Doc Halliwell arrived and took her home, but she didn't see Jack Thurber. She [illegible]. Then he'd done for her. He looked at her and smiled and said: "Ma'am, folks are starin' at you. You better not talk to me." And he walked away.

Two days later Erla purposely rode out toward his ranch and met him on the trail.

"Look," he said, "you're foolish to do this. I've got a bad reputation. Maybe you've heard about Grace Fairfax."

"You saved my life. I—I don't care what folks say."

But she did care. That night she thought about Grace Fairfax. She'd hate to have the same thing happen to herself. Maybe she'd be smart never to see him again.

But after a week she was riding again and she circled around toward the Thurber range and presently she saw him. This meeting was one of many. She didn't dare tell her folks. She was too happy to have it spoiled. It was too exciting. Too romantic.

Then one day Jack Thurber said to her: "Listen, to-morrow afternoon you come out to the ranch. I've got a surprise for you. I've got something I want to say."

She didn't promise. She went home and thought and thought. She thought about Grace Fairfax. This was probably the way it had been with Grace Fairfax. A shudder went through her body. She buried her face in her pillow and cried. But when morning came she knew she was going. She loved him and she was going. He had known she would come if she loved him.

Once in sight of the ranch she almost turned back. She went on and Jack Thurber was at the door to meet her. He took her inside and there was another girl there. A nice, sweet-faced girl.

"Meet Grace Fairfax," said Jack Thurber. "Only her name is Mrs. Jim Mason now. Jim was my foreman and they ran away and got married. She didn't tell anyone because she was afraid her dad would come after her."

Erla stared and stared. "But—but—"

Jack Thurber laughed. "You thought like everyone else thought. Well, until the other day I didn't care a damn what anyone thought. Then suddenly I cared, so I asked Grace and Jim to come pay me a visit. Then I asked you to come out without telling you about Grace. You see, I knew if you came you loved me enough — Well, I was thinking Jim and Grace are my best friends and they could run the ranch while we were away on our honeymoon."

So Erla was no longer afraid, only happy."

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NAZI PROPAGANDA AT GERMAN CLUB

It was mentioned in the Bengal Legislative Council that pro-Nazi propaganda is being carried on by members of the Calcutta German Club both within and outside the club premises.

People of other nationalities [illegible]

LOYAL ADDRESS TO KING AND QUEEN

House Of Parliament And Trip To Canada

Unprecedented In Annals Of House

London, To-day.

The House of Lords yesterday gave unanimous approval to a motion moved by the First Lord of the Admiralty, Lord Stanhope, that an Address be presented to the King on the occasion of his departure for Canada and the United States.

The Address would convey an assurance of the loyal affection of the House and the deep interest with which it would follow the progress of Their Majesties during their absence.

Lord Stanhope described the motion as unprecedented in the annals of the House of Lords.

He added that the action, however, was also unprecedented because he believed it the first time a reigning Sovereign had visited a self-governing Dominion.

Lord Snell, Leader of the Labour opposition, supporting the motion, said: "As His Majesty sets out upon his journey, full of promise and significance, we wish him to know and feel that he takes with him the grateful admiration of all his people." (Cheers).

Lord Samuel, in the absence of Lord Crewe, said for the Liberals that there was throughout this land a deep feeling not only of friendship but also of affection towards the people of the United States.

CEMENTING TIES OF EMPIRE

Moving a similar Address in the House of Commons, the Prime Minister said Their Majesties' journey would further cement the ties of Empire.

"Relations between ourselves and the people of the United States have long been of a special character on account of common language, ideals and traditions.

"We may be sure that the visit of Their Majesties will be warmly welcomed in the great Republic across the Atlantic."

UNITING DEMOCRACIES

Mr. C. R. Attlee, on behalf of the Labour Party, supported the motion.

He remarked that in these days anything that could be done should be done to unite the great Democracies of the West to the people of this country and the other peoples of the British Commonwealth.

Sir Archibald Sinclair (Liberal) said that in opening the New York World Fair, President Roosevelt had declared that the American people had hitched their waggon to a star of goodwill and peace.

GOODWILL MISSION

It was striking proof of the sincerity with which the British public shared those ideals that at a time when our minds were so gravely preoccupied with dangers nearer home, Their Majesties should be leaving these shores on a mission of goodwill and understanding to the peoples of the West.

The motion was carried nem con. —Reuter.

FRENCH EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

Paris, To-day.

Cardinal Verdier, Archbishop of Paris, in his capacity as Papal Legate, presided at the opening yesterday of the 12th French National Eucharistic Congress at Algiers.

A bull announcing the appointment of the Papal Legate and conveying the Pope's greetings to those attending, was read by the Cardinal Legate in Algiers cathedral yesterday afternoon in the presence of French Cardinals as well as of over 50 Archbishops and Bishops and of thousands of pilgrims from all parts of France and the French Empire.

This is the first National Eucharistic Congress to be held in French colonial territory. — Trans-Ocean.

GERMAN ENVOYS TO RETURN

Berlin, To-day.

It is learned on competent authority that the German Ambassadors in London and Paris are returning to their posts in the immediate future, possibly to-day (Thursday).

The British and French Ambassadors returned to Berlin last week. —Reuter.

EIRE'S PROTEST ON CONSCRIPTION

London, To-day.

Mr. J. W. Dulanty, High Commissioner for Eire in London, had an interview with the Prime Minister in his room in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon in regard to the question of military training and its general application. — British Wireless.

TRAFFIC MISHAPS

Last week, there were 81 traffic accidents in the Colony as the result of which one person was killed and 35 persons were injured. Of the 81 accidents, 29 were collisions between vehicles; 38 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; 14 accidents were due to other causes.

At the business meeting of the South China W.C.T.U. held at noon, a reception was given to its first national President, Dr. Mary Stone, who has just come to Hong Kong from a trip to America with her friend and co-worker Miss J. V. Hughes of the Bethel Mission. Dr. Stone is one of the two early woman physicians in China, the other being the late Dr. Ida Kan of the Methodist Woman's Hospital in Nanchang.

LEAVING PORTSMOUTH ON SATURDAY

London, To-day.

The King and Queen will leave Portsmouth on Saturday by "Empress of Australia" for the State Visit to Canada.

They will be seen off at Waterloo by the Regency Council and by the entire Cabinet.

The American Ambassador in London, Mr. Joseph Kennedy will also be present.

The King and the Queen, on their journey from London to Portsmouth, will be accompanied by the Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret, Queen Mary, the Duke and Duchess of Kent and the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester. — Trans-Ocean.

AMERICAN DEFENCE APPROPRIATION

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt yesterday signed the $153,000,000 Defence Bill.

The total will be immediately available in appropriations and contract authorisations for "critical" defence items for the army sea coast defences and for Fleet expansion.

Meanwhile, the naval committee of the House of Representatives has recommended legislation to authorise expenditure of $6,660,000 for the complete modernisation of five battleships. — Reuter.

MISS TOBIN AGREES TO BROADCAST

Miss Genevieve Tobin, who arrives in the Colony to-morrow, with her husband, William Keighley, Warner Brothers film director, has agreed to broadcast over ZBW at 8.15 p.m.

Miss Tobin and her husband, who are on a honeymoon tour, will attend the tea dance at the Hong Kong Hotel, and after the broadcast are to be entertained to a Chinese dinner at the Yim King Restaurant, Wanchai, by the management of the King's Theatre.

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Hong Kong, Thursday, May 4, 1939.

OFF WITH THEIR HEADS!

Five more heads recently went in the basket along with that of Sir Stafford Cripps. The owners of them, though they may not be amused, will certainly not be surprised; they knew what was coming to them as a result of daring the disfavour of a party machine which works with all the efficiency of a guillotine in its downward stroke. As Sir Charles Trevelyan wrote to Mr. Attlee:

I am to be turned out of the Labour party by the Executive for insisting on speaking my mind as to the tactics required to save my country and the world.

He and the other four sinners may conceivably be mistaken in their view of what tactics are required for that purpose, but they cannot possibly be wrong about their right to express their own opinions to other people. They are not, as Sir Stafford Cripps was, members of the Executive; he, as one with direct responsibility to the party machine, was held to have acted unconstitutionally in his arrangements for testing the amount of support for a "Popular Front" or National Opposition," even though the ultimate decision on that point was always to be left to the Labour Party Conference. Now it seems that any prominent representative of the party, even though he is not a member of the Executive, acts unconstitutionally "in the absence of undertakings . . . to discontinue participation in the popular front campaign." So out they go in advance of the Conference and its discussions, though it is difficult to see how the Labour party is to be strengthened by their explusion or the Conference saved altogether from the menace of argued dissent from the official policy of splendid isolation. The discipline may be magnificent as an example of a party machine attempting to function with all the persuasive grace and charm of a steam-roller, but it does not seem at all courageous or democratic. And in the world that lies around us it grows increasingly out of touch with reality.

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Crocidyll

A British orchestra recently had an unusual experience while [illegible] in Portugal, playing in a housed, it rendered a work by Delius, and received from a number of crocodiles the tribute of prolonged applause, conveyed in a mighty burst of tail thumping.

One can rule out at once any suspicion of a "croc" claque: it is true that the crocodiles were subsequently soothed with warm water, but there is no reason to suppose that they foresaw after Delius the deluge. Their appreciation was undoubtedly genuine, and another manifestation of that reptilian taste for music, of which the snakes have long given evidence.

It is a taste that does not appear, on the whole, to be prevalent in the animal kingdom; and although both Orpheus and the Pied Piper of Hamelin had a large following there, and the lesser subjects of Pan were greatly moved by his piping, there have been few performers, since, able to elicit anything approaching the response obtained by these maestri.

One hesitates to associate even the birds with the reptiles; for their attitude is a trifle ambiguous. It is possible that when the nightingale is induced to sing over the radio by the sound of the violin, it is a kindly lesson rather than an emulative display that she gives; and that the violin is indeed, as the populace has it, "getting the bird."

On the other hand, it may be that the crocodiles merely enjoy an exceptional advantage in expression, in being able to signify their approval forcibly with a conventional sound that humans cannot mistake.

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Exalted and Cleansed

That particular brand of obscene slavering drivel that the Duce specialises in, is apparently a contagious disease.

From Fascist Italy to Docile Britain the plague has spread.

Here's an outbreak of it in a British military journal:—

"When the fighting men of one nation meet the fighting men of another nation in shock of battle . . . the hearts of men can be exalted and cleansed, and the ends of some healing purpose for humanity can be served.

"There is too much whining and bleating concerning peace nowadays."

Nice stuff, isn't it?

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Thorns

Nations may bristle with bombs, guns, and airplanes, but the queen of the garden has been disarmed. A rose without thorns is displayed at the Philadelphia Flower Show. If this becomes a trend, poets may have to revise their attitude on the subject. Burns's sweet strain about the betrayer who "stole the rose, but ah; he left the thorn wi' me," will be out of date, and humanity can no longer shrug its shoulders at imperfection and say resignedly, "No rose without a thorn."

And are we to suppose that mankind — skillful enough to interfere with the processes of nature and deprive the rose of her weapons — is unable to remove the thorns from himself? Can he not, by wise clipping and grafting, take some of the prickles out of civilisation? To believe that he cannot is to refuse to admit the long, slow progress of which the thornless rose

ANGLO-SOVIET PACT HOLDS FIRE

LITVINOFF RESIGNS

Moscow, To-day.

The Soviet Foreign Commissar, M. Maxim Litvinoff, has been released from his duties at his own request.

The Soviet Premier, M. Molotov, takes over M. Litvinoff's duties. — Reuter.

Japan Presents Demands

Tokyo, To-day.

PROPOSALS for drastic revision of the administration structure of the International Settlement at Shanghai, were yesterday presented to the Ambassadors of Great Britain and the United States by Mr. Sawada, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Mr. Sawada complained, inter alia, that the election system of the Shanghai Municipal Council was not democratic.

He contended that British monopolised important offices tended to act in an "oligarchical" manner.

COUNCIL REFORM

Mr. Sawada added that the essential Land Regulations must be brought up to date to meet the new conditions, and the Municipal Council must be reformed to represent more fairly the various interested nationalities, and particularly Japanese representation must be increased.

The British and American Ambassadors are conveying Mr. Sawada's views to their Governments. — Reuter.

JOHN SEEKS A SEPARATION

NEW YORK, TO-DAY.

JOHN BARRYMORE HAS FILED SUIT IN THE NEW YORK SUPREME COURT ASKING FOR LEGAL SEPARATION FROM HIS WIFE, ELAINE BARRIE.

Barrymore and his youthful wife have separated and been reconciled several times in the best Hollywood tradition. They have been referred to as Caliban and Ariel.—Reuter.

Position Discussed By Cabinet

London, To-day.

It is understood that the position of the Anglo-Soviet negotiations was discussed at yesterday's regular meeting of the Cabinet.

No instructions regarding the British reply to the Soviet proposals have so far been sent to the British Ambassador in Moscow.

It is understood that exchanges of views regarding the negotiations are at present taking place with the French Government. — Reuter.

LITVINOFF RESIGNATION

Authentic information regarding the reasons and implications of M. Litvinoff's resignation are at present being withheld.

The announcement was made in the following form in a communique issued by Tass, the Russian news agency:

"The Presidium of the Supreme Soviet has appointed the Chairman of the Council of Commissars, M. Molotov, to be concurrently Commissar for Foreign Affairs, and has released M. Litvinoff at the latter's request from his duties."—Reuter.

NO BRITISH PRESSURE ON POLAND

London, To-day.

The British Government will leave Poland a completely free hand in her dispute with Germany and will make no attempt to influence the Polish Government's decision as to what is considered a "vital Polish interest," according to the diplomatic correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph."—Trans-Ocean.

OFFER TO GERMANY

London, To-day.

Mr. Chamberlain, in reply to a question in the House of Commons, confirmed that the British Government is willing to exchange assurances with Germany similar to those exchanged with Poland, which would reciprocally guarantee against unprovoked aggression.

The Premier said he had already made it clear that the charge of pursuing an encirclement policy, was baseless.

SCOPE OF GUARANTEES

Answering a further question, Mr. Chamberlain said that the Government would welcome any suggestions for extending the scope of such guarantees which were, at present confined to defence against unprovoked attack. He was not in a position to say whether the British Government would be prepared to conclude a defensive pact with the Soviet Union similar to the French-Soviet pact.

On the other hand, the Undersecretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Butler, informed the House that the British guarantees to Rumania and Greece would not be transformed into reciprocal agreements as was the case with the guarantee of Poland.—Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH PLACE EMBARGO ON JAP. GOODS

Paris, To-day.

A general embargo on the entry of Japanese goods into France and French possessions was announced yesterday morning in the official "Gazette."

An exception is made for goods shipped before May 30 and for deliveries accompanied by a permit issued by the French Consul in Japan.

In other words, Japanese goods may in future be sent to France and her possessions only with the permission of consular officials.

It is declared that the permission will be granted without difficulty for silk articles and camphor. — Trans-Ocean.

Roosevelt And Hitler Speech

Washington, To-day.

ACCORDING to authoritative quarters, President Roosevelt's only reply to Hitler's speech will be a recommendation to Congress for a new cash and carry Neutrality Law.

In the event of war the projected measure would make American arms available to Britain and France, who presumably would pay the necessary cash.

The President, it is stated, has decided against a rebuttal statement to Hitler.

The White House secretary, Mr. Stephen Early, remarked: "When you get a situation that seems a little better balanced, why tip the scales?" — Reuter.

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RESUMPTION OF WHANGPOO DREDGING NOT PERMITTED

London, To-day.

The Whangpoo Conservancy Board has not yet been allowed to resume dredging the approach to Shanghai, declared the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, answering a question in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Butler said that negotiations with the Japanese authorities in Shanghai were being actively pursued, and he hoped an agreement might be reached shortly.

Sir J. S. Wardlaw-Milne (Conservative, Kidderminster) asked, in view of the fact that negotiations had been going on for a long time and that the Board's work is of international importance for the shipping of all nations, would the Minister consider trying again?

HOPE FOR HOPE

Mr. Butler replied that the Foreign Secretary was aware of the value of the Board's work.

"I hope to be able to give a more hopeful answer as a result of the negotiations which are proceeding," he concluded. — Reuter.

MR. BUTLER AND JAPANESE PIN-PRICKING

London, To-day.

Asked by Mr. I. C. Hannah (Conservative, Bilston) whether the Prime Minister had been able to secure removal of the barricades round the British Concession at Tientsin, and how far he had been able to secure restoration of normal conditions, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replied that the position remained as stated on April 3.

"All possible steps are being taken to secure the restoration of normal conditions," Mr. Butler added.

TSINAN INCIDENT

Chungking, To-day.

Shanghai Chinese yesterday commemorated the Tsinan Incident.

Various public organisations issued messages and despatched telegrams to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

Chinese shops in Yates Road hoisted national flags, but lowered them later at the request of the Settlement police.—Central News.

Alleged Japanese refusal to allow certain Britons to travel to Hankow, was again raised in the House of Commons by Commander A. Marsden (Conservative, Chertsey).

Commander Marsden asked if the Prime Minister could state the result of enquiries into the complaint that a British company in Shanghai had been refused permission by the Japanese authorities for four of their British employees to go to Hankow.

Two American employees of the company had been allowed to proceed.

FACTS AS STATED

The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, agreed that the facts were as stated.

He added that it appeared, however, that in a similar case about the same time, discrimination was exercised in favour of a British subject.—Reuter.

German Press Keeps Up Campaign Against Poland

Berlin, To-day.

The German public is taking close interest in developments of the Danzig question.

Exception is taken in the evening papers to the way in which French and British organs have, it is alleged, come out in support of what is described here as Polish Chauvinism.

The "Nachtausgabe" carries extracts from the French press under the headline, "Is Poland planning a coup?"

The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" asks whether Britain intends giving Poland a free hand. Apparently, Poland believes that with the backing of France and relying on the British guarantee it can do just what it pleases.

From this it is clear, says the German comment, that the British policy of giving guarantees does not promote the cause of European security but increases the risks of war.

PROVOCATION

Another German comment maintains that Poland is attempting to provoke Germany into war, thus giving the Democracies the chance to start a preventive war against Germany and Italy.

Political circles in the German capital [illegible] emphatic that Germany will not allow herself to be provoked into military measures. Germany now is stronger militarily than even before, possesses good nerves and can afford to wait. The Poles apparently cannot. — Trans-Ocean.

TEMPERATURE FALLS DURING NIGHT TO 67

Hong Kong's temperature was as low as 67 degrees last night, but this morning had risen to 71, with humidity 86 per cent.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone continues to move eastward and now covers the Pacific to the south-east of Japan. A ridge of high pressure extends from it to South China. A deep depression is situated to the north-east of Hokkaido and a shallow depression appears to be forming [illegible]. The Philippine depression is situated about 180 miles to the south-east of Manila, moving west-north-west. Pressure is low over Tongking and Siam.

Local forecast: East winds, moderate, cloudy.

Ultimatum Denied

Budapest, To-day.

A report in "Niewe Rotterdamshe Courant" to the effect that Germany presented Hungary with an ultimatum, was refuted last night in authoritative Hungarian circles. — Trans-Ocean.

Captain Sheriff, of the Middlesex Regiment, has reported the theft of an electric fan, from the Officers' Mess, yesterday morning.

Mr. R. T. Broadbridge, of No. 1, Lock Road, has reported the theft of a pair of spectacles from his residence.

Sentence of a fine of $25 or two months' hard labour was imposed on Kwan Chun, 20, by Mr. R.A.D. Forrest this morning, for stealing an iron grille from the roof of No. 322 Lockhart Road.

Inquest To Be Held On Bandsman

It has now been established that Bandsman Stemp, of the Middlesex Regiment, who collapsed yesterday morning at the Polo Ground, Boundary Street, died from heart failure. A formal inquest, however, will be held.

Bandsman Stemp, who was a keen sportsman and took part in the Area boxing tournaments last week, was practising for the discus throw when he collapsed; he died in a moment or two, despite immediate attention.

He was a bachelor and has no relatives in Hong Kong. The funeral cortege leaves the Military Hospital, Bowen Road, at 2.30 p.m., passing the Monument about an hour later.

NEW FRENCH DEFENCE LOAN

Paris, To-day.

A new defence loan of 6 milliard Francs is about to be issued, according to an official statement.

This loan will serve as consolidation loan with the object of relieving the short term money market.

The price of issue will be 98 and the rate of interest 5%, redeemable in 40 years.

M. Daladier had a conference with the Finance Minister, M. Paul Reynaud, and the Minister of Economics, M. Patenotre, yesterday about the mode of issue.

This loan will represent a further stage in the programme of M. Reynaud for covering supplementary expenditure on military equipment. — Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH WARSHIPS LEAVE "GIB."

London, To-day.

The French warships that have been stationed at Gibraltar to relieve the British fleet, have taken to sea, partly in a western, partly in an eastern direction.

It is authoritively stated that they are proceeding on manoeuvres, and will afterwards return to Gibraltar.—Trans-Ocean.

LORD HALIFAX AT PALACE

London, To-day.

Lord Halifax had an audience of the King yesterday afternoon. The Foreign Secretary stayed at the Palace for half an hour. It is believed that he took leave of Their Majesties prior to their departure for Canada.—Trans-Ocean.

STILL HOMING

Milan, To-day.

A further batch of 2,000 Italian nationals hitherto domiciled in France, arrived in Italy, on Mussolini's call, yesterday. — Trans-Ocean.

News Snack Bar

Brighton seems to be the place for ice skaters. Here is little Laurel Lyons, aged six, a young skater who recently won a second prize in the junior championship, admiring the cups won by other Brighton skaters. Barbara Wyatt won the under 12 championship at Wembley, Elizabeth Whittington won the ladies junior championship, Pat Carr won the Wengen Shaw cup in Switzerland and Denis Silverthorne won the men's junior championship.

RAIL RECEIPTS UP JOURNEYS DOWN

Re the railways' Square Deal! . . . During December the number of passenger journeys on Britain's railways was 106,218,107—a decrease of 2,420,784 compared with December, 1937.

Receipts from passengers, however, showed an increase of £55,277. And . . . if London Transport is omitted the figures show a decrease in journeys of 364,003 and an increase in receipts of £77,672.

But the total tonnage of freight conveyed (excluding free-hauled traffic) in the four weeks ended December 24, 1938, was 21,165,484—a decrease compared with the corresponding four weeks of 1937 of of 3,160,570 tons (or 13 per cent.).

Freight train receipts showed a decrease of £753,970, nearly 10 per cent., Ministry of Transport figures show.

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BUMP GIVES SIGHT

Normal vision returned to a blind man, Mr. John Grela, twenty-one, when he received a bump on the head in a traffic accident at Rochester, New York State. He was severely jolted as the car in which he was travelling to hospital hit a lorry. He found he could see.

WEEK-END WITNESSES

From London Police Courts:

Police-Constable at Willesden: The prisoner was singing something about going back to a South Sea island. . . . When I asked him where he lived he said "Balham."

Woman at Tottenham: I knew my husband intended to leave me, although we did not quarrel. I saw him oiling his bicycle.

Same Woman: My husband makes me take the blame for everything. . . . If he upsets a tea cup I have to say "Excuse me."

SUPER LINER'S SPEEDBOAT AMBULANCE

First liner to carry an ambulance speedboat will be the Queen Elizabeth, now being completed on Clydeside. Any passenger seriously ill will be rushed to the nearest port when the liner is within reasonable distance of the shore.

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CHILDREN DEAD IN RIVER TRAGEDIES

When Richard Brown, four, of Bedlington, Northumberland, fell into the River Blyth, a friend, Geoffrey Thompson, nine, also of Bedlington, jumped, in to the rescue. Both were drowned.

STEEPLEJACK FELL 120FT.

Death by Misadventure was the Windsor inquest verdict on George Gratton, twenty-four steeplejack, of Chesterfield, who died after falling 120ft. from the top of a chimney at Slough.

It was stated that the building of the chimney was almost complete when the tripod supporting the pulley which hoisted the bricks to the top collapsed and crashed, knocking Gratton with it.

A factory inspector from the Home Office said there was no negligence on anybody's part.

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REFUGEES WILLING TO FIGHT

German refugees in Paris have passed a resolution pledging themselves, in the event of war, to enrol in the French Army. A recent decree makes it possible for foreigners to enrol in special battalions.

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TAUGHT TO READ IN GAOL

Of the 10,506 males and 2,097 females gaoled in Scotland last year, says the annual report, 233 males and 150 females could neither read nor write. An attempt was made to educate them in prison.

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REGIMENT'S 250TH BIRTHDAY

The 2nd Bn. the South Wales Borderers, stationed at Londonderry, celebrated the 250th anniversary of the raising of the regiment, formerly the 24th Foot, with a trooping-the-colour ceremony at Ebrington Barracks, the salute being taken by the Governor of Northern Ireland, Duke of Abercorn.

OTTER HOUND PACK DISPERSED

The 139-year-old West Cumberland Otter Hounds Pack is to be dispersed on the ground of lack of interest in the sport in the district.

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PUMP ROOM ORCHESTRA ABANDONED

The Bath City Council has decided to abandon the Pump Room Orchestra on the ground of economy, thus breaking a tradition of 40 years.

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BABY BITTEN BY RATS

While asleep in his pram in a tenement house at Charles-street, Greenock, a two-month-old baby, James Nairn was bitten seven times on the face by rats and was taken to hospital.

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RESCUED BOY FROM SEA

The Boy Scouts' Gilt Cross has been awarded to Patrol Second Graham Torne, 16, of the 27th Cardiff Group, who rescued [illegible] at Falmouth [illegible]

PORTRAITS IN MATCHES.—Mr. H. E. Moulds, a Worthing hairdresser, makes portraits out of used matches. The shading of the hair and features is carried out by the way in which the burned ends are placed. One of his portraits, that of Mr. Neville Chamberlain, is now being exhibited in the local museum. Photo shows Mr. Moulds at work on a portrait of Mr. Winston Churchill.

WIFE RECEIVED HIS DECORATION

The King, at Buckingham Palace, handed the insignia of the G.C.B. to Lady Henderson to given to her husband, Vice-Admiral Sir Reginald Henderson, who is very ill. This is an unusual course in bestowing decorations.

Sir Reginald, who is suffering [illegible]

TENOR'S FAREWELL

Count John McCormick the tenor, who is now in London, is going to the World's Fair to sing a farewell concert to celebrate the thirtieth anniversary of his first appearance in New York.

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SPLASHED BY MOLTEN METAL

Six men were taken to Sheffield Royal Infirmary with severe burns received when the chain suspending a ladle containing four tons of molten metal at a steel works snapped and the metal was splashed over a wide area.

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NEW WARSHIP NEEDS 10 TUGS

When the aircraft carrier Illustrious was launched at Barrow, ten tugs, a number unprecedented in the town's shipbuilding history, towed her to her berth. Eight came from Liverpool.

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WOMAN M.P. IS ELECTED—DIES

Three hours after she had been declared re-elected for the Forrest constituency, Miss May Holman—the first woman in Australia to be returned to any Parliament—died from injuries suffered in a motor accident. Miss Holman was engaged in her campaign when [illegible]

VIOLETS, LOVELY VIOLETS.—Violets are now making their appearance with the florists and the street sellers. Vast quantities of these popular blooms are now being gathered at the Henfield Nurseries, Sussex, and despatched to the various markets. Photo shows

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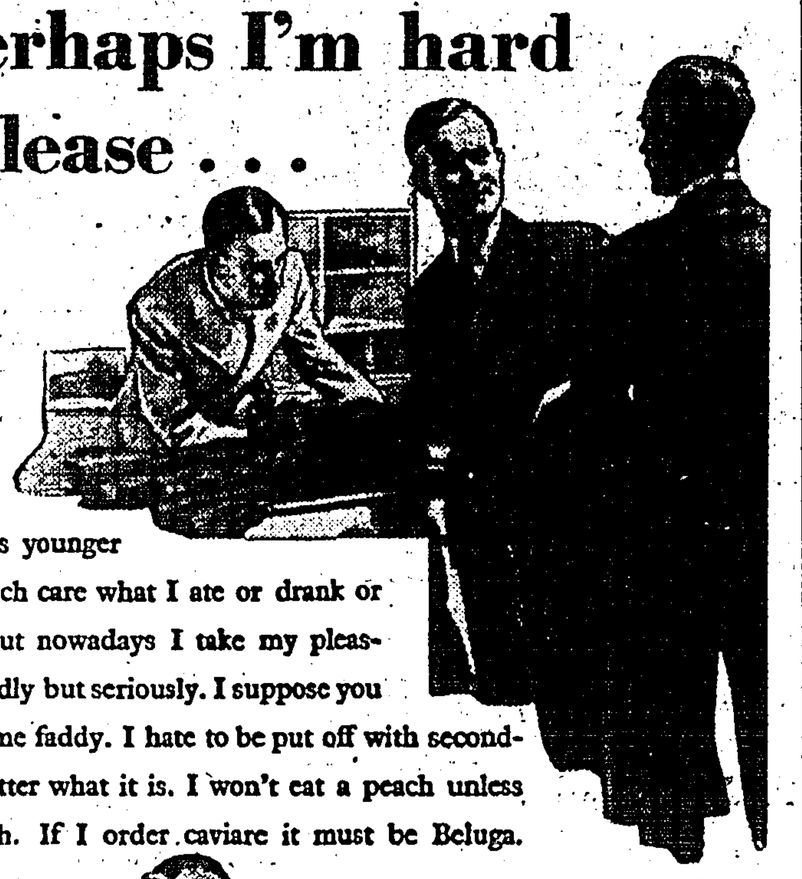
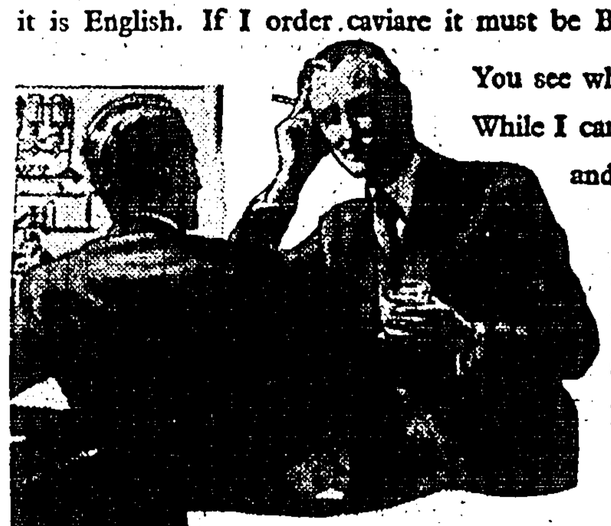


When I was younger I didn't much care what I ate or drank or smoked. But nowadays I take my pleasures, not sadly but seriously. I suppose you would call me faddy. I hate to be put off with second-best, no matter what it is. I won't eat a peach unless it is English. If I order caviare it must be Beluga.



You see what I mean about whisky. While I can obtain a whisky as soft and smooth as a fine liqueur, why on earth should I be put off with anything less than White Horse? I admit that perhaps I am hard to please—but take it from me, it pays."

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By IVOR BROWN

There seems to be no subject about which people are more eager to be informed than the doctor. The popularity of Dr. Cronin's book and film, "The Citadel," has been very great. Americans have been joyfully reading, on a large scale, a lively, candid autoblography called "The Horse and Buggy Doctor", by Dr. Arthur Hertzler, who tells of medicine in the Middle West half a century ago and later. London, again, has so enjoyed a revival of "The Doctor's Dilemma" as to prolong the original run. Mr. Francis Brett Young also won great favour with a recent novel about a medical practitioner, and Dr. Oliver Gogarty's memories are another attraction. Looking farther back, one is constantly reminded of the best-selling possibilities of a doctor's reminiscences Dr. Halliday Sutherland and Dr. Axel Munthe have enjoyed successes far beyond the reach of men no less gifted as writers but lacking the raw material of the medico's experience. As readers at least we take our medicine gladly.

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Doctors, like politicians, parsons and schoolmasters, and all who are supposed to be men of light and leading, healers of poverty, sinfulness, ignorance, and pain stand up to be shot at. The profession has been the special target of the epigrammatist ever since the wits of the Greek Anthology started to sharpen their quills by the Ionian Sea.

I saw no Doctor, but, feeling queer inside, Just thought of one—and naturally died.

wrote Callicter, and Hipparchus capped it (both renderings are by Mr. Humbert Wolfe),

"Dead," cried the Surgeon, laying down the knife,
"Ah, well, I've saved him from a cripple's life."

It is so easy to bid the parson save himself, the teacher school himself, the physician heal himself. "Every profession," our own "G. B. S." has cried, "is a conspiracy against the public." He himself has pilloried the medicals often enough as public dangers. Dr. Cronin, revealing certain scandals, did but follow after.

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Mr. Shaw, however, included all professions, and we must be considerable humbugs to imagine that our own crafts and callings are free of all imposture, chicanery, and greed. These generalisations about sections of the community are sometimes amusing but never accurate. If the doctors wish to answer all their critics they can at least plead that the average member of the community has a much better expectation of life than of old. In half a century the norm of life in this country has advanced by ten years. There may be many and various reasons for that, but better medical attention is certainly one of them. Whereas, if we turn to the lawyers, can we say that any similar progress has been made in the cheapening and simplifying of legal progress? It can fairly be claimed that the magistrates, paid or unpaid, show, as a rule, more sense and clemency and psychological intuition than of old. But the slow, cumbrous, pedantic, costly business of legal procedure changes very little, and the barristers and solicitors show no ardent passion to modernise the machinery. Most of us feel that, however grievous our wrongs, we would count it extremely rash to venture on a lawsuit, since it would surely keep us busy and bothered for months and would cost us more in the long run than we could ever hope to gain. We may be frightened of the doctor, but not so frightened of going to the surgery as of going into court.

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We ask a great deal of doctors, the vital secret, no less, and we do not tell them much. That is where the doctor, if he is not just an overworked man dealing out bottles by routine, has his work cut out. He may have to probe a wounded mind if he is to relieve a carnal pain. Dr. Hertzler says that when any patient comes to him vaguely talking about stomach trouble he begins to diagnose a mental sore. At any rate, before proceeding to see what is at the back of the stomach, it is always well, in his opinion, to try to discover what is at the back of the mind. Folk are oddly remote from their own insides, be those "innards" of mind or of matter, and do not easily connect an emotional with a bodily lesion.

That brings us to the really extraordinary point about medicine. We are passionately eager to read about other people's bodies because we are so strangely ignorant of our own. Nothing could more closely concern us than our blood and bones, our tissue, skin, and organs. Yet it is possible to have what passes for a first-class education and be taught nothing whatever on this subject. At school the growing boy is vague-

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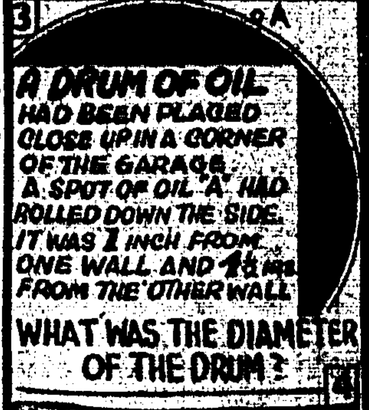

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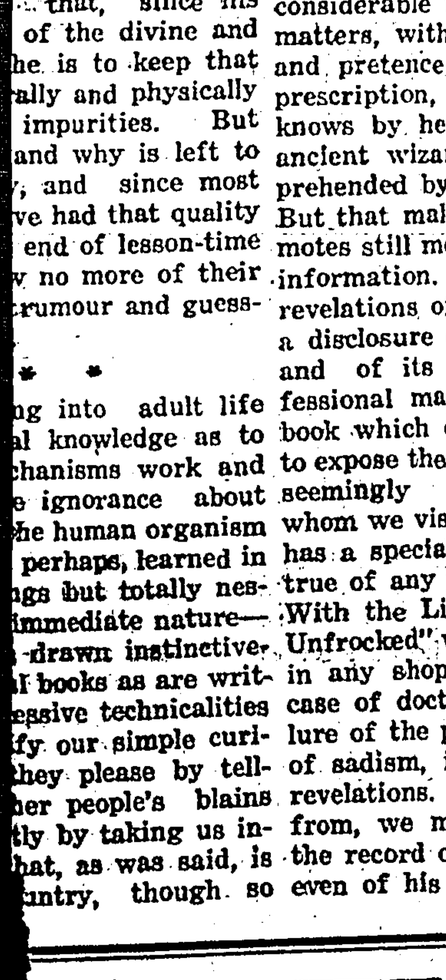
Doctors, it is true, have made a considerable mystery of elementary matters, with their solemn Latinity and pretence that the commonest prescription, which every chemist knows by heart, is some piece of ancient wizardry never to be comprehended by such as you and me. But that make-believe of theirs promotes still more eagerness for inside information. We want not only the revelations of our own interiors but a disclosure of the medical mystery and of its commercial and professional manoeuvres. Thus any book which either does or pretends to expose the whole truth about these seemingly omniscient creatures whom we visit in time of tribulation has a special attraction. That is true of any profession. "The Law With the Lid Off" or "The Church Unfrocked" would be victorious titles in any shop window. But in the case of doctors there is the added lure of the physical, perhaps a taint of sadism, in the public relish for revelations. We do not shrink from, we may even warmly enjoy, the record of anothers ailments and even of his operations.

The fact remains that all the anti-medical epigrams and all the exposures of the profession's failures, its fools, and its blackguards have never made doctors unpopular. They are liked and welcomed wherever they go. In the presence of parsons the average man is apt to behave a little awkwardly: he fears that he is being judged, which he almost certainly is not. In the company of doctors the average man behaves naturally, though doubtless he is being summarily diagnosed all the time. In a sense, since man is mortal, the doctors always lose in the end. But, before that finality, they always win. Your scoffer, if he be not a resolute Christian Scientist, will repent in the moment of his pain and ring up with all haste the man whom he has so often cried down. May we not strongly suspect that, some two and a half thousand years ago, amid the isles of Greece, those once gay wits Callicter and Hipparchus, when the agony was upon them, summoned their butt to their bedsides and cursed him for delay?



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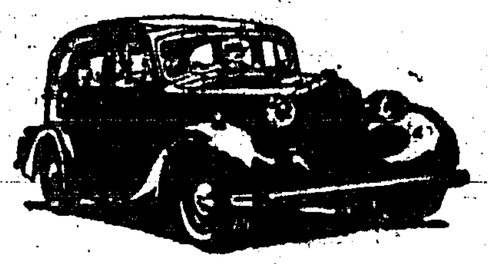

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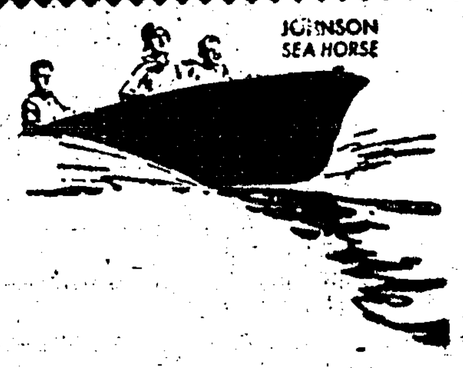

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What The Stars Foretell

By MARY BLAKE

A lack of discrimination in the selection of foods, as well as clothing, due to the average person's having a tendency to procrastinate this day, and then at the last minute being in a hurry, will inspire most of the unpleasant criticism that will be handed out. Frankness will be the best policy to pursue. Due to the fact that people are mentally very alert, deceit will be subject to exposure and fail to accomplish anything. The old saying "a poor excuse is better than none," is liable to be a fallacy, for there will be an unusual amount of skepticism about any protestation of a justification for any strange action, or failure to do something promised. You may get into the good graces of someone this day, by displaying sympathy or kindly consideration. Some sudden thought is apt to turn out to be an inspiration needed to change this from a disappointing day into a very lucky one for you. Married and engaged couples, as well as those who are in love, should not be afraid to take full credit for any kind thing that they have done this day, for it will not be wise to hide your light under a bushel.

If a woman and May 4 is your birthday, you probably possess an artistic eye and a very clever pair of hands. You apparently love to live in a world of make-believe, and have already passed through, or very shortly will, a period filled with romance. Your sense of humour will save you from much needless worry. Your proclivity to tease may need curbing before it gets you into trouble. As a musician, artist, sculptor, sales agent, author, actress, or business executive, your opportunities to make money appear to be unlimited. Influences surrounding your matrimonial prospects seem to be auspicious, and give every indication that love will be a treasure you always will possess.

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You'll certainly take even more pride in the looks of your young hopefuls, when they start off to school in matching outfits, made with this new design. It's smart as well as sensible to dress little brother and sister alike—at least almost alike. The shirts, you see, are identical. But sister's suspender skirt (which flares saucily) has a front decoration that brother prefers not to bother with. His shorts, of course, are as plain and straight as masculine pride demands.

Choose flannel, jersey, linen or pique for the skirt and shorts. Linen, broadcloth or pique for the shirts.

KEEPING IN PLEATS

For keeping pleats in sun-ray skirts, either when hanging in a wardrobe or when packing to go away, cut the foot from an old stocking, hold skirt by the waist, ease it, keeping your hand on the waist all the time, through the stocking. When your hand comes to the other end of stocking, let go of the skirt and draw your hand slowly and carefully out again. Hang the stocking, now full of skirt, in your wardrobe, using the loop in the waistband. This takes up very little room, protects the pleats and is a good covering against dust.

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Beauty and You

by PATRICIA LINDSAY

Most Skin Disfigurations Require Medical Treatment

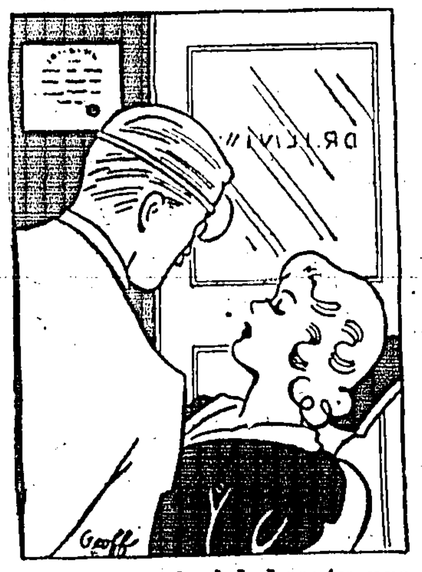
Many women write me about common skin disfigurations such as moles, birthmarks, liver spots, white spots and warts — hoping I can tell them of a magic formula which will make them go away! How I wish I could! The truth is, however, there is no magic formula on the market for any of these ailments, and the best I can do is to advise victims to seek the expert advice of a reliable physician or a skin specialist.

MOLES

Moles are sometimes dealt with by electrolysis—which is the best treatment for hairy moles. A skin specialist will destroy the hair first and then remove the mole perhaps by application of carbon dioxide. No woman should try to remove a mole herself.

WHITE SPOTS ON SKIN

White spots are the exact opposite of freckles. Patches of white appear on the skin, and are more noticeable in summer because they do not tan with the rest of the skin.



Trust your facial beauty problems to a skin specialist. Much harm can come from tampering by an amateur.

Such patches should be kept covered with liquid sunburn powders, or cream covered with darker powder than the shade you use for your face. If they are not too prominent do not even attempt to cover them.

WARTS

Warts definitely should be treated by a good skin specialist. I have been told that there are six kinds of warts, each demanding a different treatment. So it is foolish for a woman to try to remove a wart with one or another of the patent preparations on the market unless prescribed by a physician. If a wart is where it is continually irritated by clothes or action, it should be removed as soon as possible to avoid serious ill health later. But do go to a good doctor.

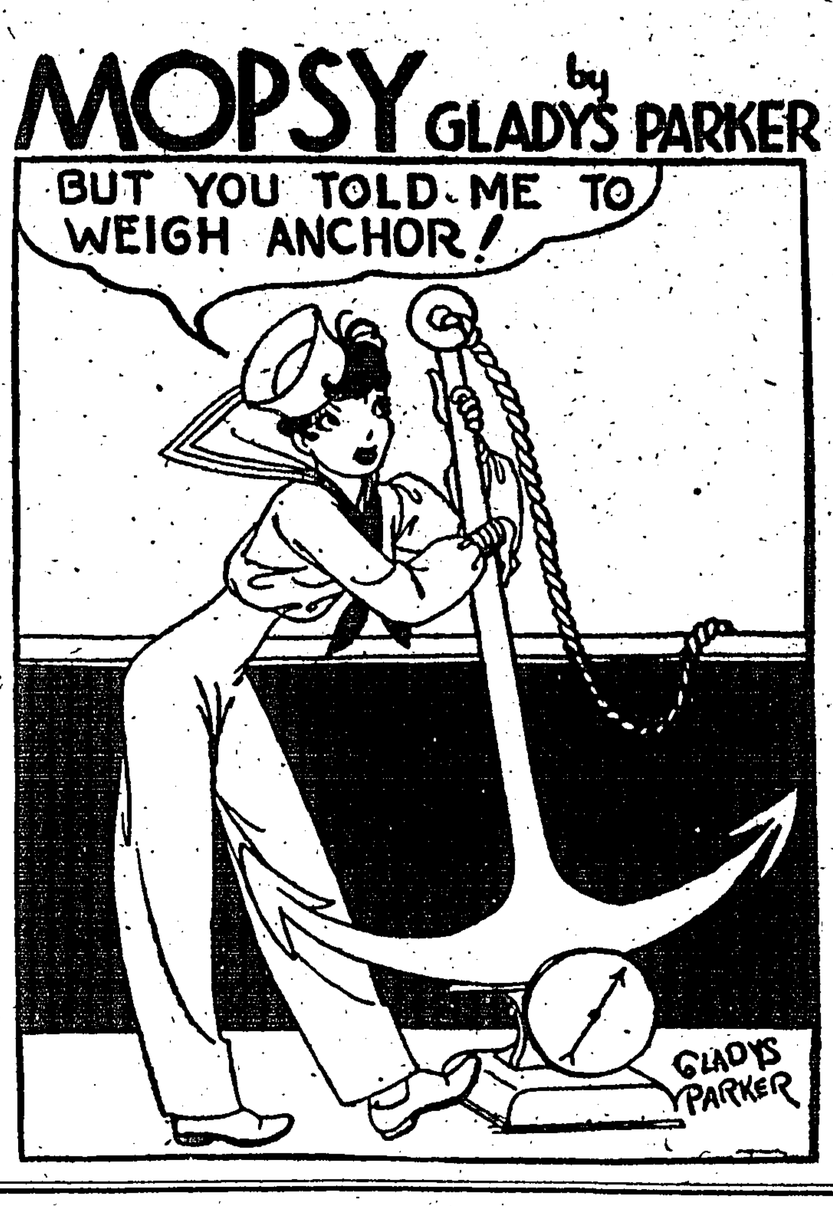
LIVER SPOTS

News to me, and perhaps to you, liver spots have nothing to do with the state of your liver! They may be any colour from beige to a dark brown, and they may be the size of a freckle or as large as a quarter. Some appear suddenly. Others grow gradually. And, odd as it may seem, brunettes usually have more liver spots than blonds!

If several liver spots appear you should have a physical examination. Sometimes it is only local irritation which causes them, or certain chemicals in the cosmetics you use. If they come from sunning yourself you might dab them with lotion Calomine which you may purchase in a drug store.

BIRTHMARKS

The most practical way, and safe, to remove birthmarks (if they must be removed) is by electrolysis. It is serious business to fool with them yourself. There are several suggestions available on how to treat them at home but I would rather you did not treat them at all, than to fuss with them yourself. Dangerous skin diseases may result from home treatment.



A Pinafore And A Tie-Around

Slip this apron on over your frock, and no spatters of salad oil or whipped cream can stain it. It competently protects both the skirt and the bodice. Also, you'll notice that this design is cut with a shallow, square neckline and wide shoulder straps that will never annoyingly slip off when both hands are busy.

Besides, it's a pretty thing in itself, and brightly becoming, with its flared skirt, tiny waist, little crescent pockets and touches of braid or binding. This design also is perforated for a frill-trimmed tie-around. Make your aprons of gingham, percale, linen or batiste — and put some away for occasional gifts, too.

SAVING THE FLOWERS

Artificial flowers on a dance frock easily get crushed by one's coat or wrap. To prevent this, sew the halves of two or three press-studs on to the flowers, and the other halves to your frock. Carry the flowers and attach them on your arrival.

If You Are Serving A Meatless Dinner--

Vegetable Consomme garnished with Julienne.
Filets de Sole Rouennaise,
Cold Seakale.
Friar's Omelet,
Devilled Biscuits.

Hostesses will find the above selection gives great satisfaction. Here are the recipes:

VEGETABLE CONSOMME

Two carrots, one head of celery, one parship, half a cabbage, one lettuce, three leeks, two bay leaves, a few peppercorns, and two onions sliced and browned in a little nut fat, a few sprigs of parsley and chervil, and about five quarts of water. Cook slowly for two or three hours, strain and use. Garnish with vegetables in season cut in fine strips an inch long.

FILETS de SOLE ROUENNAISE

Fillet a sole and put the bones on to boil for stock; boil an egg 10 minutes. Chop some parsley and have ready 1 pint of prawns and shrimps, a lemon, ½oz butter, ½oz flour, ½ gill milk, and salt and pepper. Melt butter, add the flour, then the milk, a squeeze of lemon juice and a pinch of salt and cayenne pepper: chop prawns and shrimps finely and add to it.

Wash fillets, dry and skin them, and cut in halves. Spread with mixture half over, fold in halves, squeeze some lemon juice over to keep fillets white.

Put into a baking tin, cover with buttered paper and bake 10 to 15 minutes. Serve with a sauce made as follows and garnish with egg on top of fillets.

THE SAUCE

Three ounce butter, 1oz flour, 1 gill fish stock, ½ gill cream or milk, cayenne, salt and pepper, lemon juice.

Melt butter, add flour, milk and stock gradually. Boil quickly and stir rapidly or the sauce will go oily.

SEAKALE is excellent cold. Sprinkle a very few drops of tarragon vinegar over and hand round plain cream cold in a cream-jug.

This Friar's Omelet recipe is dated 1873. Ingredients are six large apples, 3oz butter, 2oz sugar, 4 yolks of eggs, grated rind of a lemon, cloves to flavour, 4oz breadcrumbs and castor sugar.

Bake apples till tender. Scrape out all the pulp, beat in 2oz of butter and sugar and the grated rind of a lemon, also a little ground cloves (or if preferred nutmeg). Leave till cold. Butter a pie dish well, sprinkle thickly with white or brown breadcrumbs. Beat yolks of eggs into the apple, pour the mixture into the pie dish, cover with white or brown breadcrumbs and put small pieces of butter on top. Bake 1½ hours in a moderate oven (Reg. 4) or till firm and set. Serve hot.

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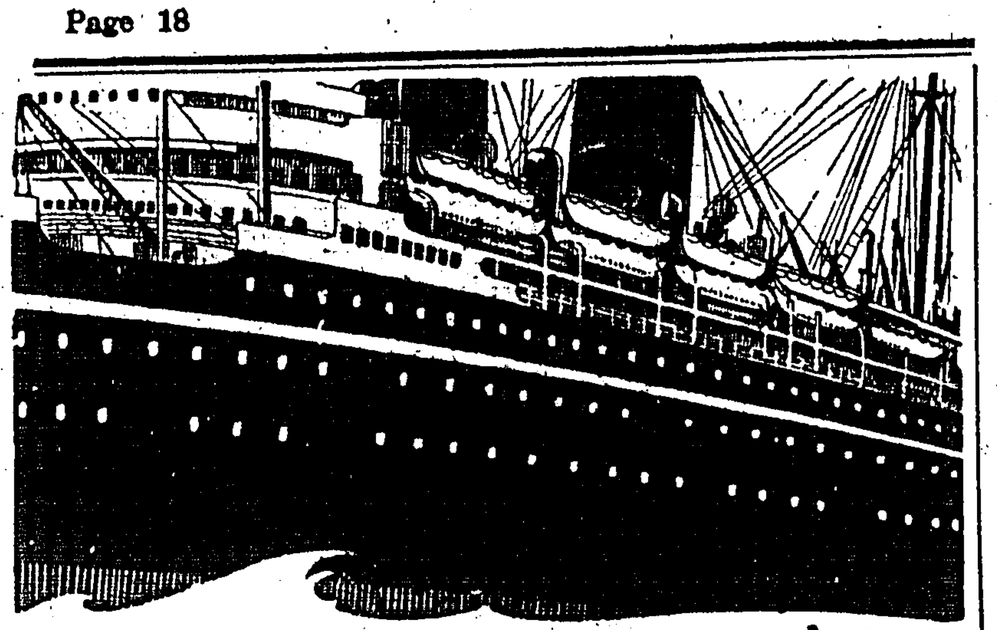

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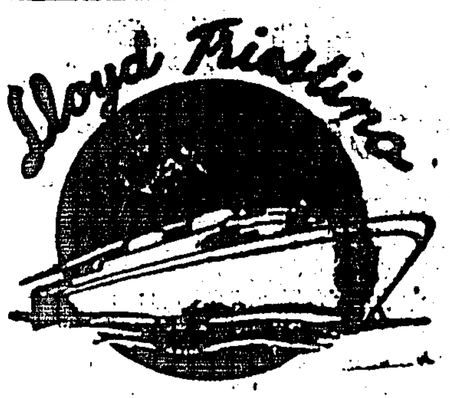

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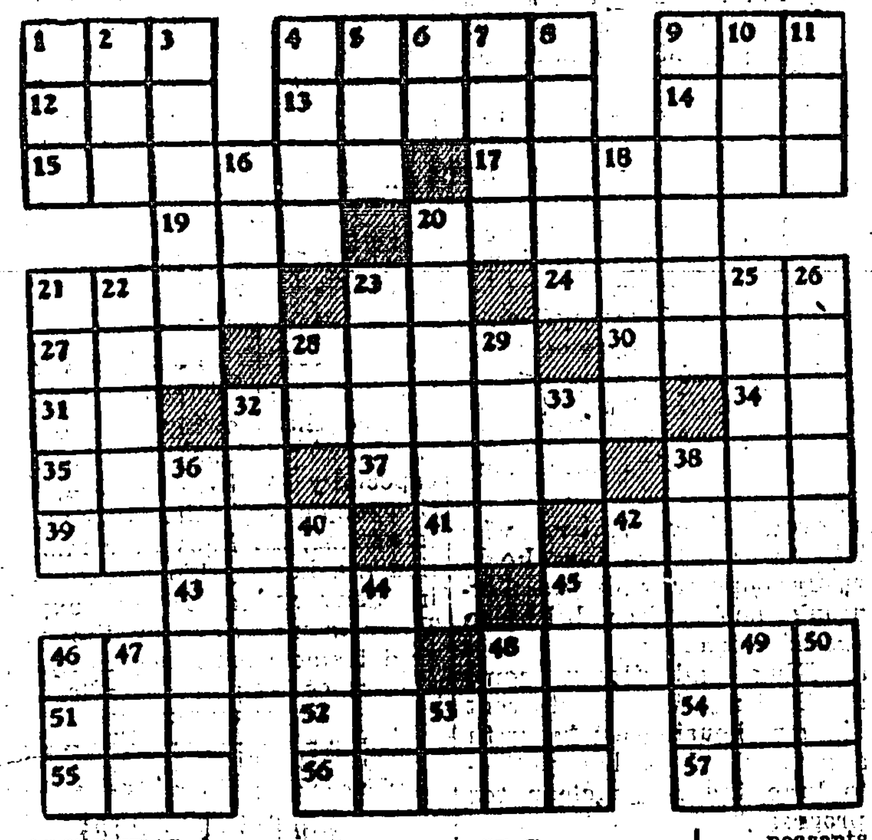

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47 Blackbird of cuckoo family
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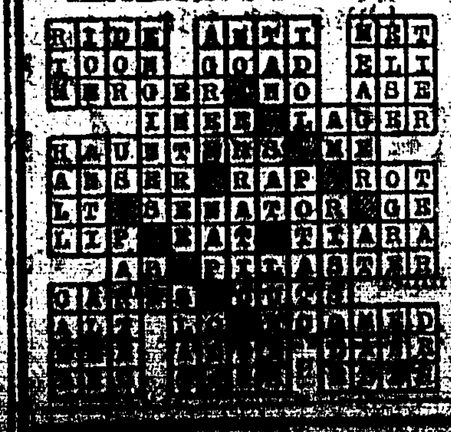

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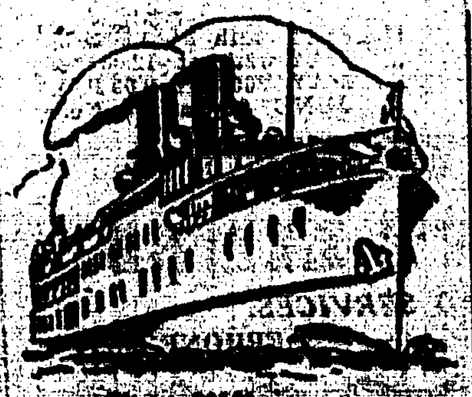

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Scotland Yard On The Trail Of Foreign Spies

LIVERPOOL, APRIL 19.

TWO OFFICERS ATTACHED TO THE SPECIAL POLITICAL BRANCH OF SCOTLAND YARD ARE INVESTIGATING THE ACTIVITIES OF THE GERMAN ESPIONAGE SYSTEM IN THE NORTH.

They arrived here some time ago and after consultation with the heads of the C.I.D. of Liverpool and Manchester, set out to counter work that has been carried on by important Nazi agents in England.

I understand that information supplied to German agents in the North by Secret Service operators, purporting to be of vital importance to an enemy country, was transmitted to Germany within a few hours.

The information was wrong, but it served as proof that the men under suspicion were acting as agents for Germany.

The Secret Service men have received instructions from the Home Office to inquire into charges that other Germans in the North, not believed to be connected with the German espionage service, are playing some part in the spreading of Nazi propaganda.

SAYS HITLER IS A PRISONER

A telling illustration of the widely differing conditions in which the King and Queen and Herr Hitler go among their peoples was given recently by Mr. Herbert Morrison, M.P.

Speaking at Hackney Wick to a meeting of Labour women, Mr. Morrison recalled that the King and Queen visited Hackney and moved about freely. Herr Hitler made a speech at Wilhelmshaven and was guarded like a prisoner.

"The dictator of Germany," went on Mr. Morrison, "was protected by a large number of soldiers, police, secret police and Government spies—and it is highly probable that the crowd was well sifted out before its assembly.

"Moreover, Herr Hitler, who would have us believe that he is universally popular with the German people, spoke from behind a bullet-proof shield.

"The King and Queen came through Hackney Wick and went on to the new housing estates with only a handful of civilian policemen to keep the roads clear for their progress."

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-11/16.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London at 20-1/4 and forward at 20.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £—U.S.$4.6812 and the New York—London rate at £—U.S.$4.68-3/16.

OXFORD UNION FAVOURS CONSCRIPTION

London, Apr. 28.

The Oxford Union to-day adopted, by 423 votes to 326, a resolution approving the establishment of conscription in Britain.

Most of the critics referred less to the conscription itself that to the Government's policy or its composition. The resolution is very much in contrast with the one adopted in 1933 which asserted that "in no circumstances will we fight, even for the King and for peace."—Havas.

BRITAIN BOUND TO OTHER EUROPEAN NATIONS

London, Apr. 27.

The fate of Great Britain is bound to that of other European nations, Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, the Secretary for War, stated in a speech at the Constitutional Club to-day.

"To those who would regard conscription as an infringement upon individual liberty, I would say that the liberty of the nation as a whole cannot be sacrificed because some of its citizens so value their own liberty that they won't combine to defend it."—Havas.

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GERMAN TIBETAN EXPEDITION

After staying for nearly two months as guests of the Tibetan Government, the German scientific expedition, led by Dr. E. Schaeffer, has left Lhassa for the old capital, Yalung Phodang, which has never yet been visited by a white man. The expedition is carrying many valuable presents from the Tibetan Regent to the Fuehrer. It is expected that the party will re-enter British India in June.

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LOCAL SHARES

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Canton Ins. $220 b.
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PUBLIC UTILITIES

H. K. Tramways $16.15 b., $16.10 sa.
Star Ferries $65 b.
China Lights (Old) $8.20 b., $8.40 s., $8.30 sa.
China Lights (New) $5¼ b., $5.45 s.
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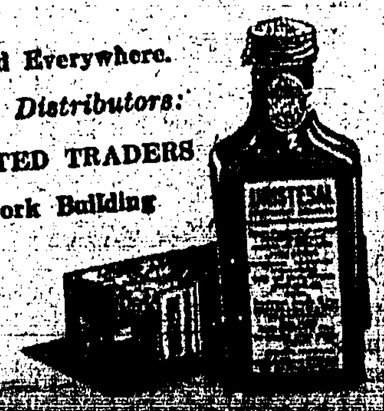

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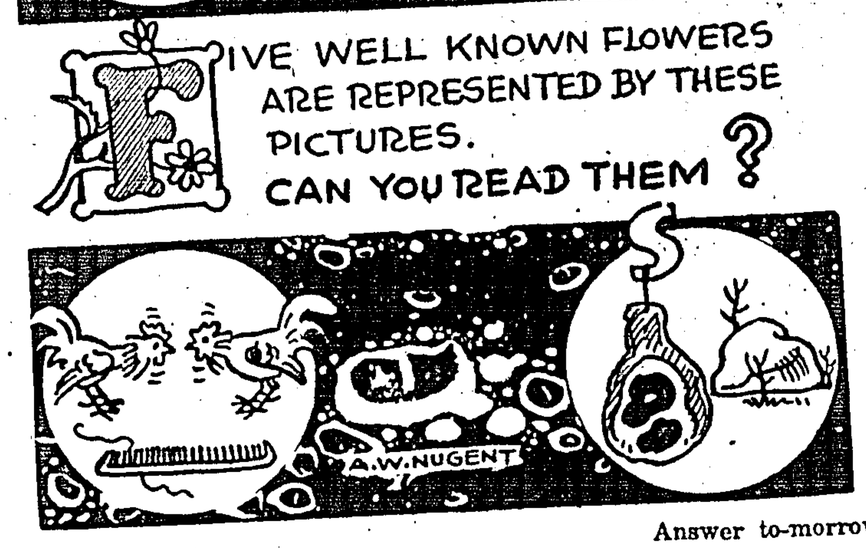

Answer to-morrow.

"WE CANNOT AFFORD TO GAMBLE"

Declaring that it was the duty of every man to defend his country, Mr. Lloyd George said at Nevin, Caernarvon.

"We must have men, and 'we should take mesasures to get the men. We cannot afford to gamble with one of the most serious situations.

"We are dealing with two men—two intelligent men—who are determined to follow their ambitions."

It was essential that all parties should co-operate, and he was confident that with such co-operation, understanding and tact Britain would pull through once again.

Mr. Lloyd George,who was speaking at the South Caernarvonshire Agricultural Show, said that agriculture had suffered badly from time to time from all Governments and parties, but that was not an excuse to leave millions of acres uncultivated and to depend upon other countries for our food.

A country like ours should produce as much food as possible. It was useless to rearm, strengthening our Navy, Army and Air Force, unless we had food to give the men. It was a fight against starvation in the last war.

CORNS GREW LIKE MUSHROOMS

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SAYINGS OF THE GREAT

Earl Winterton on war:

"After all, death has got to come to us some day, and I can assure you from personal experience, that it is quite exciting wondering whether the next bullet or bomb will kill you."

RADIO WARNING TO DENMARK

Late at night recently a number of Danish wireless listeners picked up a station, believed to be Russian, from which an announcer was speaking in German about the recent Danish elections.

The talk concluded with the observation that Germany would soon take open action in Schleswig.

No importance is attached by the authorities to the incident, which is not mentioned in the Press.

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KHO AND CHOY BEAT BRITISH DAVIS CUP PLAYERS

Enter Semi-Final Of Hardcourt Tournament

ARMY ATHLETICS

Brilliant Finish In 2 Mile Relay

At the conclusion of yesterday's events in the Inter-Unit Athletic meet, which concludes this afternoon on the Polo Ground at Boundary Street. Middlesex Regiment were leading.

Last year's champions, Hong Kong Regiment, Hong Kong and Singapore Bde., Royal Artillery, are close behind.

Competition was extremely keen yesterday and there were some fine finishes.

One of the most spectacular performances was returned by Royal Scots in the two mile relay. One of their early men slipped and fell and by so doing lost about 80 yards. Pte. Manson, however, who ran last, made up the arrears in brilliant style to win the event.

Royal Scots, who are now lying fifth, have still a chance of winning the championship.

The total points gained by each unit during the day were Middlesex Regiment 53 points, H.K.S.R.A. 48, 8th Heavy Battery, R.A. 43, 5/6 Rajputana Rifles 43, 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots 34, 5th A.A. Regiment 32½, Royal Engineers 20½. Small Units 11.

The following teams qualified for the finals:

440 Yards Relay.—8/Heavy Regt., 2/Royal Scots, 5/6 Rajputana Rifles, H.K.S.R.S,

880 Yard Relay.—8/Heavy Regt., 1/Middlesex, 5/6 Rajputana Rifles, and 5/A.A. Regt.

One Mile Relay.—1/Middlesex, H.K.S.R.A., 2/Royal Scots, 5/6 Rajputana Rifles.

Two Miles Relay.—2/Royal Scots, H.K.S.R.A., 8/Heavy Regt., 5/6 Rajputana Rifles.

Finals, field events, (teams of two).—

High Jump.—1, H.K.S.R.A., 2, 8/Heavy Regt., 3; 1/Middlesex; 4, Rajputana Rifles. Height; 10 ft. 7 ins.

Long Jump.—1, 1/Middlesex; 2, 8/Heavy Regt.; 3, 5/6 Rajputana Rifles; 4, Royal Engineers. Distance, 38 ft. 10 ins.

Shot Put.—1, H.K.S.R.A.; 2, 2/Royal Scots; 3, 1/Middlesex; 4, 8/Heavy Regt. Distance, 70 ft. 11 ins.

Discus Throw.—1, 1/Middlesex; 2, Royal Engineers; 3, 5/A.A. Regt.; 4, H.K.S.R.A. Distance, 199 ft. 5½ ins.

Javelin Throw.—1, 1/Middlesex; 2, 2/Royal Scots; 3, 5/A.A. Regt.; 4, 8/Heavy Regt. Distance, 294 ft.

Hammer Throw.—1, 5/6 Rajputana Rifles; 2, 1/Middlesex; 3, 2/Royal Scots; 4, 8/Heavy Regt.

The placing in the three mile team race were.—1, H.K.S.R.A.; 2, 5/6 Rajputana Rifles; 3, 8/Heavy Regt.; 4, 1/Middlesex.

L/CPL. POOLE, of 1/Middlesex Regiment, winning the long jump at 20 feet, 0-1/2 inches at the Inter-Unit Sports yesterday afternoon.

HOW WELL WILL THEY FARE AGAINST FRANCE IN DAVIS CUP?

Bournemouth, To-day.—China's two representatives in the Hardcourt Championships have entered the semi-final round.

In both cases, the victims were members of the British Davis Cup team.

Kho Sin-kie, the holder, beat Ronald Shayes 5—7, 6—4, 6—1, 6—0.

W. C. Choy beat Laurence Shaffi 6—3, 6—4, 6—2.—Reuter.

The fine form shown by Choy and Kho will lead to speculation regarding China's chances in the Davis Cup. According to present arrangements they will play France in the second round in Paris within the next two weeks and if successful, will meet the winners of the tie between New Zealand and Great Britain.

OTHER RESULTS

Other quarter-finals were as follows:—

Donald MacPhail (Great Britain) beat G. E. Godsell (Great Britain) 6—3, 6—1 (retired);

Charles Hare, Britain's No. 1 Davis Cup player, beat John Olliff (Great Britain) 6—0, 6—3, 6—1.

In the semi-finals, Kho Sin-kie meets McPhail and Choy meets Hare.—Reuter.

CHINA'S CHANCES ENHANCED

Paris, To-day:—The two French Davis Cup tennis players Petra and Pelizza have been called up for military service and will probably not be able to participate in the first elimination round which is to be played on May 18.

Both players belong to the 24th. Infantry Regiment, which, according to the "Petit Parisien," has been assigned to duty on the Spanish frontier. The news signifies the first French precautionary measures on the Pyrenean frontier.—Trans-Ocean.

LAWN BOWLS NOTES

Remedios' Fine Display Against K.C.C.

(By "SKIP")

There was an inauspicious commencement to the lawn bowls League season last Saturday, only one match, that between Kowloon Cricket Club and Club de Recreio in the Third Division, taking place.

That the new green at Cox's Road has been well and truly laid is evidenced by the fact that it was the only one open for play. It was on the heavy side as was to be expected and this seemed to worry some of the players, and not only the novices I may add.

Jimmy Jack, who has skipped for the first team, was in great form against C. A. Lopes, who, it will be remembered, was in the rink which carried off the rink championship last year. The burly left-hander could do nothing wrong, whilst he received adequate support from all of his front men.

Hobbs as his lead usually had the better of his opposite number, especially when playing towards the Clubhouse, whilst Bob Meadows added many shots when the lay was in the home skip's favour which as I have indicated was not infrequently.

All of the Recreio men had a tendency to be short which accounted for the big score against them, the homesters scoring three fours and finishing up with a nap hand in compiling their tally of three dozen shots.

Tommy Carr got away to a flying start against Pieto Yvanovich but the latter's team hung on grimly to finish only four to the bad, thanks to seven shots in the final three ends. The home team have a real find in W. Nash who played a great game as lead: quite up to First Division standard on Saturday's showing. But the best lead of the whole lot was Johnny Remedios on the next green: his weight and green were well nigh perfect and he laid the foundation for a very useful win for the visitors. The men following gave good support to Oscar Remedios who also did all that was required of him, though I think he will be the first to admit that the woods ran very kindly for him! On the other hand it is just to say that he was never short.

Of the home four, who eventually lost by a round dozen shots, Perry, the Civil Service cricketer, was the most consistent. A. C. Tribble, deputising for Ramsay who was not able to turn out, was outshone by the brilliance of his opponent, as well he might be, but he never gave up trying. The jovial Jack Hirst had one of his off days.

HOME FOOTBALL

London, To-day.

Playing in the Second Division, Plymouth yesterday beat Norwich 1—0, while Ipswich beat Reading in the southern section of the [illegible]—Reuter.

LING YING SCHOOL SPORTS

Ling Ying Middle School held their first annual sports meeting at Caroline Hill yesterday. A large crowd of spectators attended.

Results:—

Senior 100 metres: Wang Sau-san.
Time: 11.9 secs.

Junior 100 metres: Wong Ying-him.
Time: 12.5 secs.

Shot Put: Wang Chun-cheun.
Distance: 10.50 metres.

Girls' 50 metres: Kan Yuk-kit.
Time: 7.2 secs.

High Jump: Tong Tak-ming.
Height: 1.80 m.

Senior 200 metres: Yeung Kai-yee.
Time: 29.5 secs.

EXTENSION TO K.B.G. CLUBHOUSE

The recently completed extensions to Kowloon Bowling Green Clubhouse will be formally opened by Sir Atholl MacGregor on Sunday at 12.15 p.m.

There will be a bowls match prior to the opening between Club teams captained by Sir Atholl and the President, Mr. E. V. Searle. Members who wish to play are asked to be on the green by 10.15 a.m.

The lawn bowls game for Saturday between Civil Service and Prison Officers' Club has been cancelled.

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HOME RACING

Cheshire Cheese Prizes!

Chester, To-day.

Sir Frederick E. Lay's Winniebar, starting at 100/8 and ridden by Gordon Richards, won the Chester Cup, covering 2-1/4 miles in 4.3-3/5 to beat Miss Jameson's Irish Stew (100/8) by three lengths.

Brigadier-General Lamston's Eildonnill (8/1) was third, a length and a half behind.

The race is valued at £2,000. Owners of the first three ponies receive Cheshire cheeses each to the value of £5.

Winnebar took the lead six furlongs from home and won comfortably.

The French challenger, Monthery, started a 5/1 favourite and finished tenth.— Reuter.

R.H.K.G.C.

LADIES' JUBILEE CONTEST

A competition open to the Women's Section, commemorating the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club's Golden Jubilee will be held at Deep Water Bay on May 16. The competition is open to resident associates only.

Conditions are.—18 holes against bogey; ½ handicap allowed. Two cards may be taken out at 50 cents a card. The Club will put up a cup. Second, and if entrance fees permit, a third prize will be bought from the proceeds.

The Medal Round of the Captain's Cup during April resulted in a tie between Mrs. W. J. E. Mackenzie 90—18 =72 and Mrs. G. M. Smalley 91—19 =72. Mrs. Mackenzie qualifies as she had the better score in the last six holes.

The Medal Pool at Happy Valley during April was cancelled owing to insufficient entries.

YACHTING

True Blue Defeated

A sweepstake race held by the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club yesterday over 9.2 miles gave first place to La Linda, with four others out of eight finishing the course. Results:

	Finished	Pos.
La Linda (Mrs. M. I. Johnstone)	17.05.48	1
True Blue (Miss H. Crawhall Wilson)	17.06.38	2
Kittiwake (Miss P. M. King)	17.07.01	3
Nereid II (Lt. Fanshawe, R.N.)	17.07.37	4
Gull (A. P. G. Mills)	17.09.27	5
Aglaia	D.N.F.	0

SHOP VOUCHERS AS TENNIS PRIZES

It is understood that certain players were recently interviewed by officials of the Lawn Tennis Association and asked for details of goods purchased with their prize vouchers in the last 12 months.

Tournament Regulation No. 7 states that "Money, cheques, orders for money, consumable goods and wearing apparel—other than such as is necessary for the pursuit of the game on court—or orders on shops for the same, shall not be offered, given or accepted as prizes."

Rule 32 of the L.T.A. states that an amateur player is permitted, when playing in any tournament, match or competition, "to accept from the management of any hotel a reduction of not more than 40 per cent. of the usual charges, provided that the same reduction is offered to all.

LAWN BOWLS TEAMS FOR SATURDAY

FIRST DIVISION

K.B.G.C.

W. L. Walker, T. E. Robson, J. C. Gill and A. M. Holland (skip).

F. A. Cheesman, S. M. White, W. S. Drake and W. Macfarlane (skip).

A. S. Russell, L. A. R. Duncan, A. J. Hall and R. Duncan (skip).

Reserve:—W. C. Hodder.

C.S.C.C.

A. Stevens, T. Sudden, H. Strange and J. Hollidge (skip).

M. E. Purvis, R. R. Wood, C. Strange and M. Rakesen (skip).

R. R. Davies, J. Carr, L. Collyer and J. Deakin (skip).

SECOND DIVISION

K.B.G.C.

H. White, L. G. Coombes, D. W. Waterton and T. Armstrong (skip).

E. V. Searle, K. C. Hamilton, H. E. Drew and G. E. F. Thompson (skip).

R. R. Phillips, V. C. Dixon, J. S. Logan and J. G. Meyer (skip).

C.S.C.C.

E. Kerman, W. Crawley, W. Burling and W. J. Bagley (skip).

F. Harper, E. Bradshaw, L. Whant and W. Hillyer (skip).

F. Austin, L. Weeks, A. B. Allan and S. Eccleshall (skip).

Kowloon Tong

C. Mose, J. Tang, J. L. Stephens and A. Spary (skip).

A. E. Castro, Y. Abbas, A. E. Kew and A. H. Basto (skip).

T. N. Wong, T. M. Gregory, W. I. Howard and H. Gittins (skip).

Kowloon F. C.

B. Evans, R. Hughes, W. Simpson and W. Field (skip).

R. Hall, J. Smalley, V. Chittenden and J. Gibson (skip).

J. Eastman, A. Moss, P. Younghusband and T. Fergusson (skip).

H.K. Football Club

J. S. Howell, E. L. Strange, J. Beach and J. A. R. Selby (skip).

R. P. Shaw, C. B. Robertson, W. J. Reid and A. Brooksbank (skip).

W. Kershaw, G. E. Stephens, L. Lammert and N. Babbington (skip).

THIRD DIVISION

K.B.G.C.

C. E. Turpin, G. S. Hammond, J. E. Dinnen and Jack Watson (skip).

E. F. Pope, S. C. Walker, H. J. Bicknell and P. J. A. Hamilton (skip).

A. Morton, G. W. Deacon, E. A. Atkins and H. L. Lockhart (skip).

Royal H.K. Yacht

W. A. Cornell, E. M. Raymond, A. S. Mitchell and R. H. Wild (skip).

P. S. Cassidy, L. E. N. Ryan, G. E. Costelho and B. E. Maughan (skip).

W. J. Hansen, G. H. Bond, A. Nissim and A. W. Brown (skip).

H.K.E.R.C.

R. C. Butler, A. G. Gardner, H. S. McKay and J. K. Sloan (skip).

J. F. Barrow, W. E. Baker, G. T. Padgett and L. de Rome (skip).

Paul and W. H. B. Muskett (skip).

Reserve:—W. Macfarlane, Jr.

Kowloon Football C.

D. Izatt, W. Excell, R. Thomson and P. Morgan (skip).

S. C. Wong, C. M. Hall, H. Bunje and V. Pethorick (skip).

C. Fuller, Jack Ross, T. White and C. Champelovier (skip).

H.K. Football Club

C. G. Sollis, H. G. Wallington, S. Creasey and V. Walker (skip).

F. Anslow, C. H. Needham, J. Ralston and H. H. Pegg (skip).

E. Casey, J. H. Collins, T. Rowell

SPLENDID FARE FOR HANDFUL OF SPECTATORS

(By "ADREM")

If the handful of spectators who visited Hong Kong Cricket Club yesterday for the final of the Club Mixed Doubles event were not satisfied with the fare served up, they must have been very difficult to please.

W. Sander and Miss A. Tylor (—15) beat H. J. Armstrong and Mrs. Andrews 6-4, 6-4.

Considering that this was an event confined to members of the Club and their ladies, the standard revealed by the members of the fair sex participating, does the Colony real credit.

Notwithstanding the fact that Miss Ann Tylor is the holder of the Colony mixed doubles title, she certainly did not overshadow her opponent, Mrs. Andrews, whose driving on the backhand was very reminiscent of Tsui Yan-pui on a good day. And I mean that! Her production of the stroke, the flawless footwork and timing her placements, were a real delight to watch.

In other phases of the game she was also good. Her service was powerful, her driving on the forehand accurate add speedy and her positional play and volleying excellent.

This eulogical outburst no Mrs. Andrews is not meant as a reflection on Miss Tylor. Her game was also without flaw. If anything, however, her courtcraft was better.

Always cool under pressure, her shots to pass Armstrong, on the quie vive at the net, were made more with a view to achieving that object rather than spectacular efforts to score nice-looking winners.

Another department in which she had a slight edge over Mrs. Andrews, was overhead. She was never afraid to move into the net, in fact she was always working for opportunities to get there. As was only to be expected, efforts were made to lob her. They worried her not at all and she really cracked any lob that was not absolutely perfect.

Little To Do

The men had comparatively little to do. Their partners were driving so hard and accurately that opportunities of intercepting were remote. Their chances of catching the eye therefore were few and far between.

Of the two, Armstrong was probably steadier all-round but Sander's forehand drive was a very potent weapon of attack and searched out the backhand corners consistently.

Both sets were very even. After 4-all had been called in the first set, Sander and Miss Tylor broke through Armstrong's service and went out at 6—4.

The second set started off in much the same manner. Two-all was called but then Sander struck a good patch and taking a much larger share in the proceedings, he and his partner went to 4—2.

There was still plenty of fight left in the opposition, however, and rallying strongly, they once again drew level.

Just failing to clinch the next set for a 5—4 lead, they lost that game

TENNIS RESULTS

Club Mixed Doubles (Final)

W. Sander and Miss A. Tylor (—15) beat H. J. Armstrong and Mrs. Andrews (—15.3), 6—4, 6—4.

Club Handicap Doubles

E. E. Story and J. J. Ferguson (—5.6) beat R. K. Valentine and L. M. S. Lloyd (scratch), 6—1, 4—6, 6—2.

Club Handicap Singles

L. Goldman (—30) beat V. R. Gordon (—3.6), 6—2, 6—4.

TO-DAY'S TENNIS

Remaining Semi-Final

Remaining semi-final in the open tennis events under the auspices of Hong Kong Cricket Club will be played this afternoon.

S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn meet Lee Yue-wing and Ho Ka-lau for the right to meet the Tsui brothers in the final.

It is not expected that the Chinese pair will win this afternoon despite their fine showing in early rounds, but they are very steady and a reasonably good game should be seen.

PROGRAMME

Open Doubles (Semi-Final)

S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn v. Lee Yue Wing and Ho Ka La (Stand court).

Club Championship

H. J. Armstrong v. E. E. Story (4).

T. A. Pearce v. W. Sander (8).

From Here And There

VALUE ALWAYS RECOGNISED

IT is mentioned, by a London exchange, that a collection of 2000 horseshoes was recently staged in Vienna, by Professor Dr. Ferdinand Habucher. The paper says that the Greeks and Romans recognised that it was important to protect the feet of their horses, and fastened so-called "Hippo-sandals," made of leather and iron, even of silver and gold. When Alexander the Great went to Asia thousands of horses died because their hoofs were not protected. The first written notes about horseshoes and nails can be traced to the sixth century before Christ. Shoeing was accomplished first in England, from whence it spread all over the Continent. The Vienna collection was rich in historical horseshoes, and especially in "sample-shoes," upon which farriers worked for ten days at a time to make one pair ready with their rich ornamentation.

Turning to racing plates of these days America could furnish a most interesting collection.

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NAMING DIFFICULTIES

THERE is difficulty in finding names for horses in Australia, and the position is even worse in England.

On this subject, Sir Charles Hyde, for whom Norman Scoble trains in England, recently wrote as follows:

"There are over 45,000 names in 'Registered Names of Horses' which are not available. Only 4995 horses ran under Jockey Club rules in 1937, and, taking into account those who ran under National Hunt rules, named foals and yearlings, and those at the stud, it is probable that some 30,000 horses in 'Registered Names of Horses' never ran, are out of training, dead, or gone abroad, and their names should be available."

FRED PERRY NOT COMPETING

Fred Perry will be unable to come to England, owing to business reasons, for the indoor professional lawn tennis tournament, which begins at Empire Pool, Wembley, on May 16.

Donald Budge, Wimbledon champion, will make his first appearance as a professional in this country in the tournament.

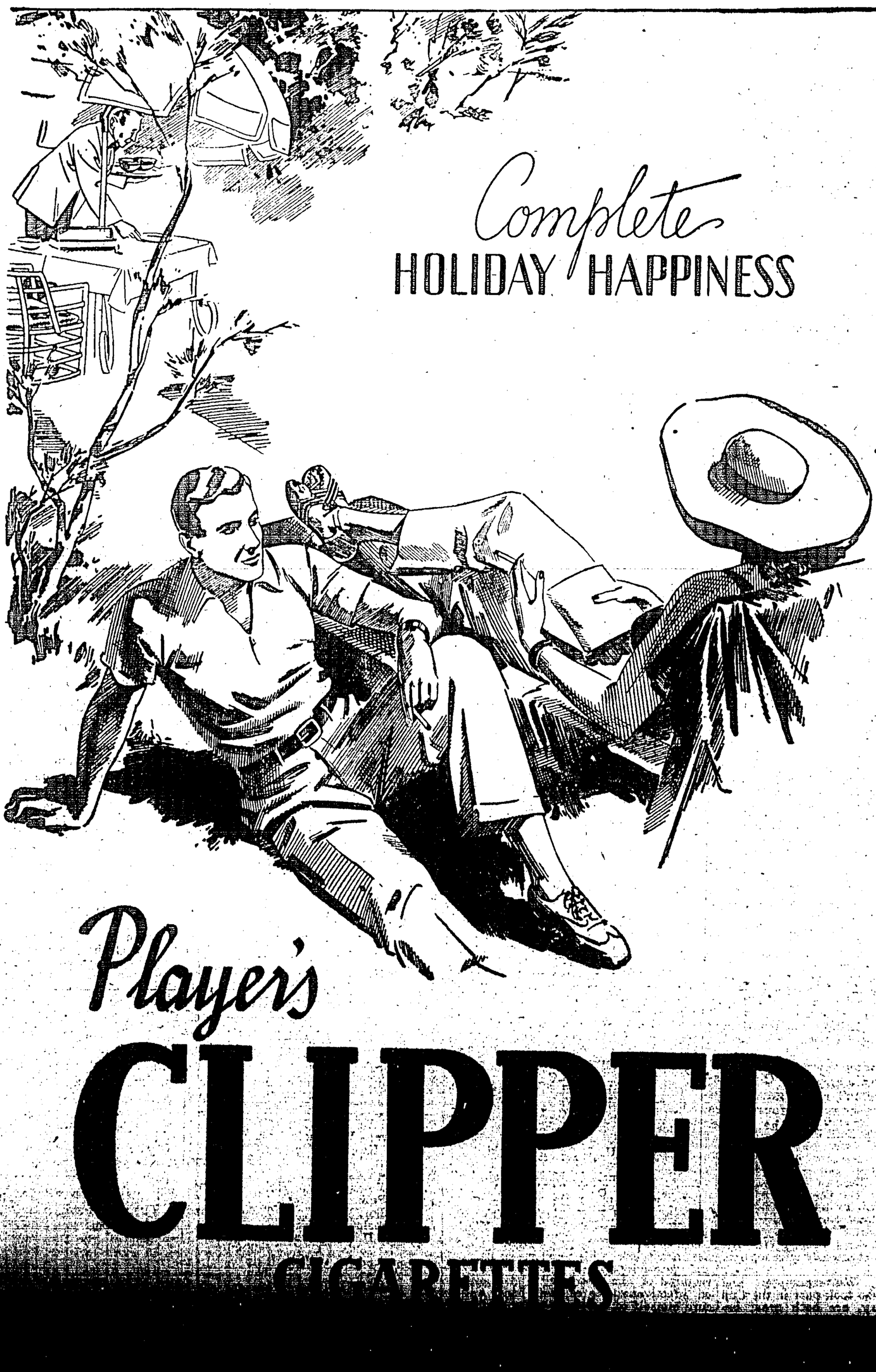
SUGGESTED RUGBY CHANGES

AN international Rugby match at Twickenham can always be sure of a 70,000 gate. None the less, Rugby seems to be slipping and the reason for it is the interminable stoppages caused by constant kicking for touch and unworkable scrummage laws.

A local player, who wishes to remain anonymous, suggests the following changes:

That the ball must not be kicked full-pitch into touch except by a man who is defending his own "25." At all other times the ball must first of all bounce on the field of play before rolling into touch.

That immediately the ball has been put into the scrum, both scrum-halves must go round the base of their respective scrums—and stay there until the ball has been passed from the scrum. The wing forwards themselves must not break up until the ball has been passed out.



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BOXING

PETER KANE'S PUNCHING

Has The Flyweight Champion Lost His Power

Fung King Cheong, who scored two "hat tricks" week-end, before last tries conclusions with a Navy player during the all-important Senior League game last Saturday, the result of which gave South China the Championship once again.

SERIOUS DOUBTS THAT HE HAS K.O. IN EITHER HAND

Plans are being shaped by Johnny Best for Sixto Escobar to come here to defend the world's bantam championship against Peter Kane—though that does not mean that the Lancashire young man has decided that he is fast approaching, or has already reached, a stage when he may not make the fly-weight limit without serious difficulty.

We saw Kane at the National Sporting Club on Monday night, writes the "Sports Dispatch" boxing correspondent, when the ring at the Empress Stadium was closed down for the season, in opposition to Balthazar Sangchili, the Spaniard, who was formerly the accredited best of all 8 st 6 boxers. Maybe it will be remembered that Sangchili won the world title from Al Brown some four years ago, and lost it twelve months later to Tony Marino in New York.

Kane beat him by so many points that I stopped counting long before the end, which came in the tenth round—the agreed distance. But he left us all wondering whether he has lost the punching power which took him to the top of the world. He declared that he was definitely the same Kane as ever, and, when asked whether he had any fear that he would have trouble to get within 8 st., his answer was emphatically "No."

He knows best, and I am content to wait and see what the scales say when he weights in for the British fly-weight championship against Paddy Ryan, of Manchester. But that he still has a knock-out punch in either hand I seriously doubt.

Coming Heavy-Weight Champion

He certainly did not get near to applying the closure in the last fight he had. Tough, unusually so, is Sangchili—his head all iron, his square-cut body as though armour-plated. But I have seen Kane put fellows just as tough as the Spaniard under arrest. Neither with left nor right hand did Kane make Sangchili see more than stars: he never really shook him.

Kane, by way of explanation, enlarged upon the cover-up of Sangchili and his persistent holding. Perhaps if he had gone all out for a finish he would have much damaged his hands. But each round was so much like another that the fight was wearisome in its sameness. It was not the high spot of the evening. Sangchili was outclassed, and Kane did not explode a single firework.

I recently commended Tom Reddington to your notice as a likely heavy-weight champion of the near future. Against Frank Hough he made me still surer that he has the stuff of an exceptional fighter. He was too much for Hough, with all his experience, scoring oftener, boxing and punching better, in each of the eight rounds over which the contest was spread. A less courageous man than Hough would have given up the ghost before the final bell, such punishment did he take. He was in a bad way when he reached his dressingroom, his ear sadly damaged, and his jaw fractured.

Reddington, a Salford lad, is being sponsored by the N.S.C.—which, need I say, is all in his favour. What I like best about him is his readiness to learn and determination to succeed. It is required of him, however, to give additional attention to his left hand and

I venture that, with average luck, he will in another year be splendidly near to championship class. He appeals to me as the most promising young heavy-weight for a very long time.

Jack London's Success

When it was flashed on the screen at the Empress Stadium that Jack London had out-pointed George James at Mountain Ash, there were whistles of surprise. Not because James lost, but for the reason that Jack London scored a points victory. For how unlike the West Hartlepool giant to finish first past the post on marks. Popular prediction was that, if London won, it would be by a knock-out.

Sydney Hulls left London at noon on Monday to be at the ringside, his idea being that, if James was the winner, he would match him with Tommy Farr in Wales. I know that Farr would have welcomed such a fight. What will happen now may only be conjectured. But why not Farr against London, assuming that Tommy beats Red Burman at Harringay next Thursday? London long ago gave it out that he barred no one.

In the probable event of Farr turning the tables upon Burman, he would welcome almost any opponent, preferably, of course, Len Harvey, for the championship. And I should say he would jump at a chance to take a crack at Jack Doyle, for whom I understand it has been made possible to come home. Dan Sullivan, Doyle's manager, says that Doyle has pledged himself to the hilt to fight regularly, and with every seriousness. We shall see.

My information is that, if Doyle will only get down to brass tacks, Wembley will employ him. Farr and Doyle would draw a record gate for a certainty.

I have paid a second visit to Farr in his training quarters at Brighton. It may be taken for granted that he will not go back to the States in a hurry, for the good and sufficient reason that there is nothing worth while for him to do there. Galento is positive to fight Joe Louis for the title; Max Baer and Lou Nova are to meet some time in May; and the winner will be put up against Bob Pastor, who, to my surprise, defeated Maurice Strickland.

Farr at His Fittest

Farr realises that he may reap greater profit by fighting at home, and I doubt whether Mike Jacobs will recall him before the winter season. Joe Gould, Farr's American manager, has arrived, and is immensely pleased with the Welshman's physical and mental condition. I have not seen a fitter Farr since I left him behind in New York after his gallant bid for Joe Louis's crown.

Sydney Hulls is hoping that Jack Dempsey will come over to second Burman, his protege. I am afraid he will be disappointed, for Dempsey, much as he would like to make the trip, is chained to big business. Meantime Burman is pleasing the critics in his training.

The Harringay chiefs had a shock when news came through that Henry Armstrong had broken a finger of his hand in defeating Dave Day, of Chicago. However, the hurt is nothing like so serious as reported, and at the time of writing Armstrong, together with Eddie Meade, his manager, is all set for leaving New York. He is expected in London towards the end of

BOXING

Stewart Outpoints Grispos

London, April 20.

Ginger Stewart, Hamilton, the Scottish light-weight champion, opposed Mitso Grispos, of Greece, in the principal contest in Glasgow last night over ten rounds. The Scot won on points.

He opened with plenty of confidence against an opponent who was obviously very strong. Stewart kept up a quick-fire left-hand attack to the face, while Grispos endeavoured to carry the bout to close quarters. He was punched off, and nearing the close of the session he stumbled back from a right to the body and went down, but he was up again immediately without taking any part of the count.

The Greek endeavoured to make it a battle of in-fighting, but the fact that he was slower than his opponent went far to spoil his intentions. Grispos demonstrated his great strength in the third round when, after taking a series of punches to the jaw, he rushed Stewart to a neutral corner, and punched away solidly. Near the end of the fourth round the Scot was troubled by a hard punch to the stomach.

There was a series of fierce rallies in the fifth with honours fairly even, but thereafter the contest fell away considerably because of the number of clinches, and the referee was kept busy breaking the men. Stewart came into the contest again in the ninth and tenth rounds, and he was a sound winner at the close.

GLAND TREATMENT

ENGLISH football club doctors are declared to be seriously perturbed about the growth of the gland movement in football. They don't like it. Several of them have successfully resisted managers who wanted to introduce the new elixir for all Soccer ills. Thomas Woodroffe states that so far the medical profession has made no official announcement about gland therapy, and football doctors would like a lead from the British Medical Association. The F.A. has also studiously avoided any official action.

By the way, Northampton and

AMATEUR FOOTBALL

Scotland Draws With Ireland

SCOTLAND, 1, IRELAND, 1

In the amateur international at Firhill Park, Glasgow, last night, Scotland put in a fighting finish, and earned a draw against Ireland when it seemed that they would be beaten. Only six minutes remained for play when they got the goal that saved the game.

Throughout the first half they had been outplayed, and when Ireland took the lead early in the second half it was the signal for a greater effort by the home side. Kyle and M'Lean had changed places after the interval, and the Scottish forwards play, which had been poor in the first half, became very lively, and more direct. Christie all through was the "live wire," but M'Lean, when he went to inside right, revealed many clever touches. Browning was a better winger than Duncan, who found M'Ilveen difficult to beat.

Scotland's half-backs played hard, while the defence, after a shaky start, finished up strongly.

Ireland were a good all-round side, with a robust defence, and a strong half-back line, in which R. Johnstone excelled. In attack, Bell was a strong raider, and the attack, as a whole, made their passes with more judgment than the home side.

MISSED PENALTY

Scotland had a great chance to take the lead in the first half, when they were awarded a penalty kick after 33 minutes, but Kyle cut matters too fine, and shot past the post. After 15 minutes of the second half, Ireland's clever play met with success, Kelleher shooting into the net after Shepherd had punched out a high shot from Johnstone. Then came Scotland's fight back, but it was not until six minutes from time that they got the better of the stubborn Irish defence. M'Lean beating M'Curry after an exciting scramble close in on goal.

The attendance was 2100, and the gate drawings £91.

Teams:—

Scotland—K. C. Shepherd (St. Bernards); J. Bonomy (Queen's Park) and J. Knowles (Murrayfield Amateurs); W. Buchanan (Queen's Park), R. Cross (Queen's Park), and A. Hosie (Queen's Park); S. Duncan (Edinburgh City), J. R. Kyle (Queen's Park), A. M'Lean (Dundee Y.M.C.A. Anchorage), A. D. Christie (Queen's Park), and W. Browning (Queen's Prak).

Ireland—F. M'Curry (Cliftonville); B. C. Vincent (Ballymena United) and S. J. M'Ilveen (Larne), J. Wallace (Ballymena United), J. M'Carthy (Barnet), and R. Johnstone (Cliftonville); H. Bell (Linfield), D. Kelleher (Barnet), G. A. Roden (Cliftonville), R. Olphert (Ballymena United), W. Moore (Ballymena United).

What with John Henry Lewis still talking of coming here to fight Harvey in spite of eye trouble, and Jack Doyle threatening to come back suffering from lack of practice, plenty of alibis will be flying around whichever way the results go. The only man who is not saying anything is Tommy Farr—

Violin And Piano Recital From The Studio

To-day's Wireless

"Melody Bee" Royal Navy v. The Army

ZBW 355 M. (845 k.c.'s) and 31.49 M. (9.52 megacycles)

12-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 p.m.—Vivian Ellis at the Piano.
"On Your Toes" Piano Medley (Hart & Rodgers).
"On The Avenue" Piano Medley (Berlin).

12.43 p.m.—Debroy Somers Band.
Memories of Horatio Nicholls.....conducted by Horatio Nicholls with Vocal Chorus.
Running Riot—Selection.

1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Lilian Harvey (Vocal) and the Orchestra Mascotte.
Under The Rainbow—Waltz (Waldteufel); North Sea Waves—Waltz (Krannig)....Orchestra Mascotte.
To-day I Am Happy — Waltz Song (from 'Black Roses'); Fantasy From Film 'Black Roses' (Keller-Anacker).....Lilian Harvey (Soprano) with Orchestra and choir. (Sung in German).
Dynamiden—Waltz (Jos. Strauss—arr. Hohne); Marienklange—Waltz (Jos. Strauss—arr. Hohne) ..... Orchestra Mascotte.
Dancing Into Heaven With You (Schroder—Beckmann); Chinaman (Schroder-Beckmann) .....Lilian Harvey (Soprano) with Willy Fritsch and Orchestra (Sung in German).
Bavarian Waltz Medley (Richartz) ....Orchestra Mascotte.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 p.m.—Compositions of Offenbach including his Gaite Parisienne-Ballet Music.
Orpheus In The Underworld—Overture....Lucerne Kursaal Orch.
Gaite Parisienne—Ballet Music .... London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Efrem Kurtz.
"La Belle Helene"—Selection ..... Marek Weber & His Orchestra.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6 p.m.—Studio—Children's Hour.
7 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.
7.02 p.m.—A Light Irish Programme with Danny Malone (Tenor).
Irish Rhapsody (Herbert).....New Light Symphony Orchestra.
The Irish Emigrant (Barker) ..... Danny Malone (Tenor) with Orch.
Medley Of Jigs; Medley Of Hornpipes....Sean Nolan (Violin) with Piano.
My Old Irish Mother (Dean); Danny Boy (Weatherley).....Danny Malone (Tenor) singing a Duet with himself. With Orchestra.
The Irish Organist—Medley (arr. T. Casey)....Terance Casey (Organ).

7.35 p.m.—De Groot & His Orchestra with Essie Ackland (Contralto).
Erstes Waltzer — Potpourri (Robrecht)....De Groot & His Orch.
Just For To-day (Seaver); Sanctuary (Hewitt)....Essie Ackland (Contralto) with Organ accomp. by Herbert Dawson.
In The Night (Tate); Under The Roofs Of Paris (Moretti).....De Groot & His Orchestra.
Serenata (Braga); O Peaceful England ('Merrie England'—German) ....Essie Ackland (Contralto) with Orchestra.

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Studio—Recital by Ruth Andersen (Violin) and Paul Lee (Piano).
1. Mother of Pearl—Selection.
2. Retournelle (Chaminade); Reve d'un Soir (Chaminade).....Piano and Violin.
3. Meditation (Thais) (Massenet); Old Refrain (Kreisler)....Violin Solo.
4. You're as Pretty as a Picture; Penny Serenade.....Piano and Violin.

8.33 p.m.—Sydney Gustard at the Organ.
Funeral March Of A Marionette (Gounod).
Medley Of Old Time Songs:
1. English.
2. Scottish.

8.45 p.m.—Studio—"Melody Bee" No. 2: The Navy v. The Army.
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—'World Affairs', by J. L. Brierly, O.B.E., Chichele Professor of International Law in the University of Oxford.
9.45 p.m.—London Relay—Sports News and Market Notes.
9.50 p.m.—Arensky—Trio In D Minor, Op. 32. Eileen Joyce (Piano), Henri Temianka (Violin) and Antoni Sala ('Cello).
10.17 p.m.—A Russian Orchestral and Vocal Programme.
May Night—Overture (Rimsky-Korsakov).....London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Albert Coates.
Song of the Needy Pilgrim (Nekrassoff-Nevstrueff-Manikin) .... Theodore Chaliapine (Bass) with Afonsky Choir & Balalaika Orchestra.
Le Prince Igor—March (Borodine) ....Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the Royal Philharmonic Orch.
Sadko-Chanson Hindoue (Rimsky-Korsakov)....Marcel Mule (Saxophone) with Piano.
In The Town Of Kasan — Varlaam's Song ('Boris Godounov' — Moussorgsky); Song Of Prince Galitsky ('Prince Igor'—Borodin)..... Theodore Chaliapine (Bass) with Orch.
Dance Of The Tumblers ('The Snow Maiden' — Rimsky - Korsakov); Storm Music ('Ivan The Terrible' —Rimsky-Korsakov) .... London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Albert Coates.
None But The Weary Heart (Tchaikovsky)...Maria Olczewska (Contralto) with Piano, Violin & 'Cello accompaniment.
The Epic of Serge Jaroff's Don Cossack Choir.
We Sing To You (Kastalsky).
Two Russian Folk Songs (arr. Jaroff): (a) Old Pachon; (b) The Three Sons....Don Cossack Choir conducted by Serge Jaroff. Unaccompanied.
11 p.m.—Close down.

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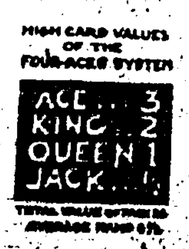
	♠ 7 3 ♡ 9 8 6 2 ◇ A 9 8 4 ♣ Q 6 5	
♠ A Q J 8 4 ♡ 7 3 ◇ 6 5 ♣ K J 7 2	W E S	♠ 10 9 6 5 ♡ — ◇ J 10 7 2 ♣ 10 9 8 4 3
	♠ K 2 ♡ A K Q J 10 5 4 ◇ K Q 3 ♣ A	

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
2♡	2♠	3♡	3♠
5♡	Pass	Pass	5♠
5NT	Dbl.	Pass	Pass
Pass			

All Bridge players are in agreement that probably the worst final contract for a hand is five notrump, since you are two tricks beyond game and still get no extra bonus. However, to-day we have an example of one really brilliant five notrump bid.



When North was unable to bid over five hearts, South quite properly abandoned thought of a Slam. At the same time he hated to give up his hand to the defensive five-spade contract, and accordingly bid five notrump as a definite gamble, which of course turned out to be a winning one.

Actually [illegible] almost a certainty that no suits would divide evenly.

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Yesterday your partner, Howard Schenken, opened the bidding with one notrump. What was your correct response, holding:

♠ x x x
♡ x x
◇ x x
♣ A Q J x x x

ANSWER: Your correct bid is three notrump. A bid of three clubs would be a Slam try; a bid of two clubs would give the opponents a chance to get into the bidding.

Score 100% for three notrump, 80% for notrump (this bid is almost as good as three notrump), 40% for three clubs (an overbid), 20% for two clubs (an underbid).

Question No. 90

Both sides are vulnerable. You are David Bruce Burnstone's partner and hold:

♠ 10 2
♡ Q J 10 x x x
◇ J x x x x
♣ —

The bidding:

Jacoby	Burnstone	Maier	You
1◇	2◇	Pass	2♡
Pass	2♠	Pass	(?)

What do you bid? (Answer Monday.)

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What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE KING'S—"Smashing The Spy Ring", in which Fay Wray is cast as the sister of a murdered G-Man. Ralph Bellamy takes the role of an intrepid G-Man who is assigned to track down and expose an international espionage organisation with headquarters in a Washington sanitarium.

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AT THE QUEEN'S—"Son Of Frankenstein", featuring Boris Karloff, Bela Lugosi, Lionel Atwill and Basil Rathbone in a new thriller. The son of Frankenstein revives the monster his father created, only to find that the "puppet" had become the master.

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AT THE STAR — "Blond Cheat", featuring Joan Fontaine as a girl hired to make love to an eligible bachelor in order to break his engagement with another woman. An amusing series of events result after Joan falls in love with the bachelor, Derek de Marney.

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AT THE MAJESTIC—"Dr. Jekyll And Mr. Hyde", a screen-version of Robert Louis Stevenson's weird thriller. The story of a man with a double personality—a lovable philantrophist and devil incarnate—starring Fredric March and Miriam Hopkins.

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AT THE ALHAMBRA—"Pirates Of The Skies", starring Kent Taylor and Rochelle Hudson in a thrilling story of the air-force police as they strive to combat crime with the latest scientific equipment in the air.

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AT THE ORIENTAL—"The Invisible Menace", a mystifying melodrama with Boris Karloff in the leading role, supported by Marie Wilson and Eddie Craven. Karloff has the role of a mining engineer suspected of murder.

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			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	about	$	$
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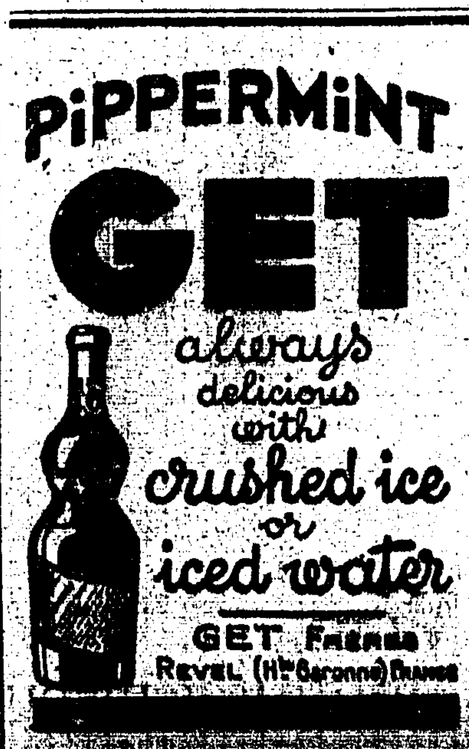

GERMANY REJECTS BRITISH OFFER

Berlin, To-day.

The statement in the House of Commons by Mr. Chamberlain, that the British Government is prepared to exchange with the Reich similar assurances to those in the Anglo-Polish Mutual Assistance Pact, has been received with reserve.

It is argued that this would lead to a system of mutual assistance pacts overlapping one another, so that, in the event of a serious conflict, the individual partners would have to wait blindfolded to see what decision London reached, that is to say, which guarantee pact London held came into force.

That would end in Britain occupying the position of a dishonest lawyer, representing simultaneously both contending parties, seeing that she would give both Germany and Poland promises of assistance.

As, however, in Berlin, the view has already been taken that British promises to Poland are unequivocally in harmony with Britain's policy of encirclement, no matter what assurances are given to the contrary, Berlin adopts the position that no practical value attaches to the declaration by Mr. Chamberlain, and that the suspicion is justified that in this, his latest gesture, a new move is made in the initiation of a policy of hegemony for Britain in Eastern Europe. — Trans-Ocean.

GERMAN FLEET LEAVES CEUTA

Berlin, To-day.

Part of the German fleet which has been carrying out "exercises" in Spanish waters left Ceuta in Spanish Morocco yesterday.

The units concerned consists of the "Admiral Graf Spee," the destroyer "Diether von Roder" and the 6th and 7th submarine flotillas.

While staying at Ceuta, Admiral Boehm, in command of the fleet, was received by the Calif of Tetuan.

A party of officers from German warships visited Ceuta.

The Commander of the flagship, Captain Langsdroff, took the salute at a parade of the members of the local Falangist movement.

The remainder of the German fleet has also left Spanish ports. Between May 6 and 10, they will anchor in Lisbon, Pontevedra, in Arosa Bay, and off El Ferrol. — Trans-Ocean.

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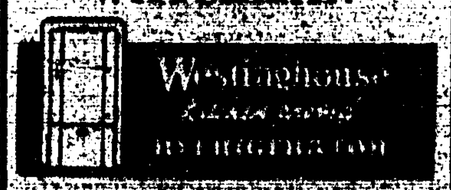

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